

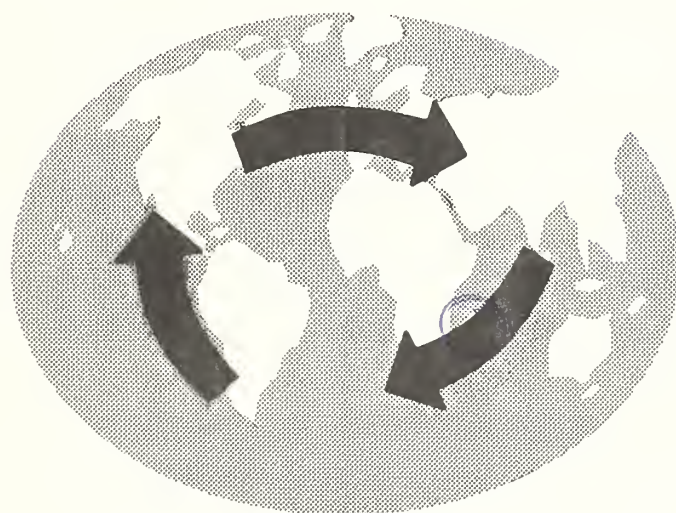
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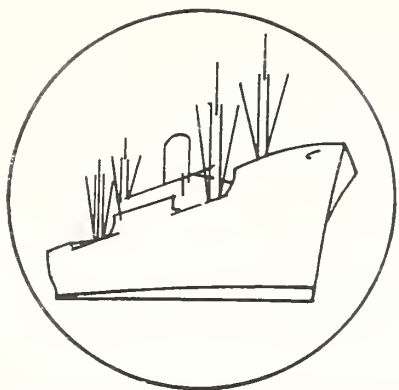
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U.S. Agricultural Trade With Mexico (see page 6). U.S. agricultural imports from Mexico were valued at \$327 million in 1967; shipments of our farm products to Mexico totaled \$70 million. Purchases from Mexico have grown about 4 percent annually over the last 5 years. Because of higher production in Mexico and increased demand in the United States, this growth rate is expected to increase more rapidly. Nonagricultural exports to Mexico more than offset the agricultural trade deficit.

Principal agricultural imports from Mexico are sugar, coffee, tomatoes, cattle, beef, molasses, and strawberries. U.S. farm exports to Mexico are mainly hides, dairy stock, evaporated milk, edible offals, prepared feeds, live poultry, and seeds and nursery stock.

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Agricultural Exports as Share of Production (see page 21). Agricultural exports are important to the American farmer. In 1967/68, exports were equivalent to nearly 15 percent of the cash receipts from farm marketings, and required the production of 71 million acres of cropland to meet the world demand. The export market accounted for over 60 percent of the production of dried peas, rice, and wheat; around half of the cotton and cattle hides; two-fifths of the soybeans, tallow, and raisins; around a third of the hops, tobacco, and dried prunes; between a fourth and a fifth of the flaxseed, grain sorghums, lemons and limes, nonfat dry milk, and dry edible beans. Corn exports accounted for 23 percent of the sales from farms, but only 12 percent of the production.

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Selected Price Series of International Significance (see page 23). U.S. export wheat in September averaged \$1.50 a bushel, the same as in August. Continued declines in rice and soybean prices were significant, but other price changes were mostly small.

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World Trade Highlights (see page 25). Beginning with this issue, highlights of world trade by the major exporting and importing countries will be provided periodically.

This issue features agricultural import data for Japan, Taiwan (the Republic of China), and the Republic of Korea, and agricultural exports of Australia and New Zealand. Japan's agricultural imports in 1967 were valued at \$3,296 million, 74 percent higher than in 1962. Demand for agricultural products has increased in Japan because of higher per capita incomes, widening taste for different foods, and growth in urban populations. The United States accounted for 31 percent of Japan's imports in 1967; we are also the principal suppliers of agricultural commodities to Taiwan and the Republic of South Korea.

Australian agricultural exports were \$2,249 million in 1967, nearly a fourth above the 1962 level. Animal products -- Australia's largest export group -- totaled \$1,336 million. New Zealand exported \$886 million worth of farm products in 1967, down 10 percent from 1966. Australia shipped 12 percent of its farm products to the United States, while New Zealand shipped 15 percent.

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U.S. Agricultural Exports: July-September 1968 (see page 31). U.S. agricultural exports totaled \$1,425 million in July-September 1968, compared with \$1,429 million a year earlier. The decline resulted mainly from a substantial decrease in exports of grains and preparations, especially wheat and flour. Shipments of oilseeds and products were up slightly, chiefly because of a rise in soybeans. Exports of animals and animal products, cotton, tobacco, and vegetables increased.

Exports of U.S. farm products to the European Economic Community (EEC) advanced to \$334 million in the first quarter of 1968/69, up 9 percent from the year-earlier period. U.S. exports of commodities subject to the EEC's variable levies totaled \$144 million during July-September 1968, 11 percent higher than a year earlier. This substantial increase occurred as a result of large shipments of feed grains and wheat to the EEC countries. Exports of non-variable-levy commodities rose 7 percent from July-September 1967. Commodity groups with higher export values were hides and skins, oil cake and meal, tobacco, and vegetable oils.

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U.S. Agricultural Imports: July-September 1968 (see page 36). U.S. imports of agricultural products in the first 3 months of the current fiscal year amounted to \$1,344 million against \$1,064 million last year. Supplementary imports totaled \$800 million and complementary products accounted for \$544 million. Most of the commodity groups showed gains from the same period last year, such as cattle, beef, pork, hides and skins, dairy products, fruits, edible nuts, sugar, vegetable oils, wines, bananas, coffee, cocoa, rubber, tea, crude drugs, spices, essential oils, and carpet wools.

Table 1.--U.S. exports: Value of total and agricultural exports, including specified Government-financed programs ^{1/} and commercial (dollar) sales by selected commodities and commodity groups, averages 1955-59 and 1960-64; annual 1965-68 and July-September 1968

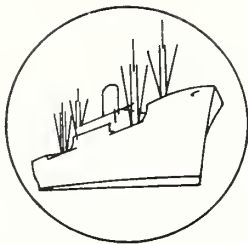
Year ending June 30	Animals and products	Cotton, excluding linters	Wheat and flour	Feed grains, excluding products	Milled rice	Oilseeds and products	Fruits and vegetables	Tobacco, unmanu- factured	Other	Total agri- cultural exports	Nonagri- cultural exports	Total, all commodi- ties
-- Million dollars --												
<u>Average</u>												
<u>1955-59</u>												
Total	609	685	709	373	107	437	344	344	210	3,818	13,900	17,718
Commercial	422	399	240	231	57	329	328	310	196	2,512		
Programs	187	286	469	142	50	108	16	34	14	1,306		
<u>1960-64</u>												
Total	655	717	1,196	664	155	705	416	387	255	5,150	16,293	21,443
Commercial	551	545	400	540	80	589	413	331	230	3,679		
Programs	104	172	796	124	75	116	3	56	25	1,471		
<u>Annual</u>												
<u>1964/65</u>												
Total	818	584	1,240	940	203	1,125	443	395	349	6,097	20,200	26,297
Commercial	667	419	249	864	134	961	439	360	307	4,400		
Programs	151	165	991	76	69	164	4	35	42	1,697		
<u>1965/66</u>												
Total	779	386	1,402	2/1,346	220	1,224	496	395	428	6,676	22,225	28,901
Commercial	670	262	465	1,232	160	1,087	495	305	384	5,060		
Programs	109	124	937	114	60	137	1	90	44	1,616		
<u>1966/67</u>												
Total	2/732	542	1,312	2/1,153	306	1,258	492	550	427	6,772	24,047	30,819
Commercial	600	377	666	946	175	1,125	492	443	373	5,197		
Programs	132	165	646	207	131	133	4/	107	54	1,575		
<u>1967/68 ^{3/}</u>												
Total	2/645	475	1,278	2/1,001	339	1,203	457	494	423	6,315	25,707	32,022
Commercial	511	300	511	882	202	1,087	454	389	377	4,713		
Programs	134	175	767	119	137	116	3	105	46	1,602		
<u>Monthly 1967/68</u>												
July	52	27	105	83	18	89	40	25	33	472	1,918	2,390
August	50	27	114	73	16	79	38	38	33	468	1,981	2,449
September	49	31	121	76	19	68	38	57	32	491	2,024	2,515
October	52	31	101	77	24	119	47	46	35	532	1,926	2,458
November	59	33	126	127	26	155	39	59	44	668	2,097	2,765
December	46	38	102	101	28	114	38	60	37	564	2,277	2,841
January	45	61	109	88	44	95	34	35	34	545	2,153	2,698
February	52	53	120	94	24	91	34	39	40	547	2,148	2,695
March	50	49	111	92	38	105	34	26	40	545	2,091	2,636
April	56	46	112	65	40	94	36	33	42	524	2,423	2,947
May	61	45	75	65	36	98	41	37	40	498	2,433	2,931
June	53	34	82	59	28	96	38	39	32	461	2,236	2,697
July-June	625	475	1,278	1,000	341	1,203	457	494	442	6,315	25,707	32,022
<u>Monthly 1968/69</u>												
July	48	43	86	70	21	86	41	36	35	466	2,198	2,664
August	63	25	84	92	14	80	36	53	42	489	2,314	2,803
September	61	30	53	79	28	74	40	65	40	470	2,481	2,951
July-September ...	172	98	223	241	63	240	117	154	117	1,425	6,993	8,418

^{1/} Includes programs authorized under Public Law 83-480 and Mutual Security (AID) programs.

^{2/} Includes donations through voluntary relief agencies not separately reported by the Bureau of the Census.

^{3/} Preliminary data (unrevised).

^{4/} Less than \$500,000.



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U.S. AGRICULTURAL TRADE WITH MEXICO

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Movements of agricultural products between the United States and Mexico are primarily northward. Last year, U.S. agricultural imports from Mexico amounted to \$327 million. Shipments of U.S. farm products to Mexico in the same period totaled \$70 million. U.S. agricultural imports from Mexico have grown at an average annual rate of 4 percent over the last 5 years, while exports have ranged between \$63 million and \$87 million. A large part of this increase in imports resulted from a sharp rise in Mexico's farm production, especially for fresh fruits and vegetables. Development of water resources in northwest Mexico, improvements in transportation facilities, and the introduction of new crops in the south-central regions have shown substantial success.

Higher levels of demand in the United States reflect population and income growth contributing to an increase in imports generally, including purchases from Mexico. The trend in U.S. agricultural imports from Mexico is expected to continue upward. In the short run (3-5 years) such imports are likely to exceed the recent 4 percent average annual increase.

Mexico is a major producer of temperate zone agricultural products like those grown in the United States. Since the growing season in most areas of Mexico extends throughout the year, this country is an important supplementary source of fresh produce for U.S. markets during the winter and spring. Supplementary U.S. farm imports from Mexico in 1967 were valued at \$259 million or 79 percent of total agricultural products from that country. The remainder consisted of such tropical commodities as coffee, sisal, cocoa, bananas, and spices.

Because Mexico is a surplus producer of most agricultural commodities, there is a limited import market for such goods. Mexico imported about \$114 million worth of farm products in 1966, according to the most recent United Nations data available. The United States was the largest supplier with \$68 million or 60 percent of these products, principally live animals, hides, grain, fruits, hops, seeds, tobacco, and certain essential oils. France was the largest country of origin for dairy products; Australia and Argentina were the principal sources of wool.

The deficit in agricultural trade with Mexico is more than offset by U.S. nonagricultural exports. In 1967, exports of these products totaled \$1,153 million, up from \$1,057 million in 1966 and \$676 million 5 years earlier. Nonagricultural commodities usually account for more than 90 percent of U.S. exports to Mexico (table 2). Manufactured goods -- mainly machinery, vehicles, and chemicals -- make up the largest commodity groupings.

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Table 2.--U.S. merchandise trade with Mexico: Value of total and agricultural products, average 1955-59 and annual 1960-67

Year	Domestic exports		Agricultural as :		Imports for consumption:		Agricultural as	
	Total	Agricultural	percentage of total:	percent	Total	Agricultural	percentage of total	percent
	-- Million dollars --		-- Percent --		-- Million dollars --		-- Percent --	
Average:								
1955-59	760	78	10.3		423	181	42.8	
1960	802	60	7.5		445	223	50.1	
1961	761	60	7.9		510	263	51.6	
1962	739	63	8.5		539	271	50.3	
1963	781	83	10.6		549	252	45.9	
1964	1,026	75	7.3		607	292	48.1	
1965	1,056	87	8.2		591	276	46.7	
1966	1,131	74	6.5		705	328	46.5	
1967	1,223	70	5.7		725	327	45.1	

U.S. imports of nonagricultural products from Mexico in 1967 amounted to \$398 million or 55 percent of total purchases. These imports were mainly shellfish, nonferrous ores, chemicals, and petroleum products.

Imports by Commodity

U.S. agricultural imports from Mexico in 1967 were valued at \$327 million, about the same as a year ago (table 3). This leveling took place as larger purchases of sugar, molasses, fibers, tobacco, cottonseed cake, and lime oil offset declines in several leading commodity imports, including cattle, meat, some fruits and vegetables, and coffee.

Mexico shipped 501,000 head of cattle -- valued at \$36 million -- to the United States in 1967, down from 584,000 and \$42 million a year ago. Pasture conditions in the northern plateau regions were very dry, causing cattlemen to hold much of their stock. Reduced marketings also affected beef exports; U.S. imports of Mexican beef dropped to 47 million pounds (\$20 million) in 1967 from 56 million pounds (\$23 million) in 1966.

Some fruit and vegetable imports from Mexico declined following heavy west coast rains and blight. Fresh strawberry imports rose to 20 million pounds -- value \$3 million -- from 12 million pounds -- value \$2 million -- a year earlier. But frozen strawberry purchases declined to 73 million pounds (\$10 million) from 83 million pounds (\$15 million). Cantaloup imports fell to 117 million pounds from nearly 137 million pounds, but price increases pushed value up to \$6.1 million from \$5.9 million. Some offsetting influence occurred in larger imports of oranges, grapes, and tropical fruits.

The main reduction in vegetable imports from Mexico was in fresh tomato values. While the quantity of imports rose slightly to 362 million pounds from 359 million pounds a year earlier, value declined because of poor quality to \$43 million from \$52 million. Imports of tomato paste and sauce increased to 10 million pounds (\$1.4 million) from 7 million pounds (nearly \$1 million). Tomatoes usually account for more than 70 percent of U.S. vegetable imports from Mexico. Higher U.S. purchases were recorded for several other fresh vegetable categories, including cucumbers, eggplant, garlic, okra, peppers, and squash.

U.S. imports of green coffee from Mexico declined to 131 million pounds (\$48 million) from 137 million pounds (\$57 million) in 1966 and nearly 189 million pounds in 1964. Mild Central American coffees have encountered increasing competition on world markets from lower priced robustas grown in Africa and Asia.

U.S. imports of sugar and molasses from Mexico have expanded with higher levels of U.S. consumption and increased foreign quota allotments. Cane sugar purchases from Mexico rose steadily to 520,000 short tons -- \$66 million -- in 1967 from 364,000 tons -- \$48 million -- in 1963; Mexico's share of the volume of U.S. sugar imports increased to 11 percent from less than 9 percent. Inedible molasses imports from Mexico of 131 million gallons, valued at \$14 million, were more than one-third of total U.S. imports.

Vegetable fiber imports from Mexico rose to \$13 million in 1967, largely because of higher cotton shipments. U.S. raw cotton imports for consumption from Mexico reached 40,000 bales (480 pounds each), valued at \$5.5 million, compared with 2,000 bales totaling \$0.3 million a year earlier. Short-staple cotton -- less than 1-1/8 inches -- made up almost 37,000 bales valued at \$4.9 million. Cotton linter imports from Mexico dropped to 33 million pounds (\$2.8 million) from 43 million pounds (\$3.4 million) in 1966.

Sisal accounts for most of U.S. hard fiber imports from Mexico. These purchases advanced to 36,000 long tons (2,240 pounds) from 34,000 tons in 1966, but weak prices

Table 3.--U.S. agricultural imports for consumption from Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
		-- Thousands --					-- 1,000 dollars --				
Animals, live (001):											
Cattle	No.	585	331	535	584	501	38,782	20,993	36,533	41,841	36,342
Horses	No.	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	58	16	12	14	14
Live animals, n.e.s.	No.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	2	2	1	1	0
Meat and preparations (011):											
Beef, boneless, fresh, chilled, or frozen	Lb.	67,056	45,146	46,056	55,939	47,032	21,759	15,241	16,070	22,797	19,763
Beef, with bone, fresh, chilled, or frozen	Lb.	5,095	3,399	4	486	152	1,417	1,076	1	162	57
Frogmeat, fresh, chilled, or frozen	Lb.	651	316	370	535	469	655	218	275	400	340
Horsemeat, uncooked, edible	Lb.	10,812	7,478	7,117	8,461	9,926	1,743	1,043	1,104	1,357	1,485
Veal, fresh, chilled, or frozen	Lb.	719	351	214	692	625	249	117	77	290	273
Meat and preparations, n.e.s.	Lb.	290	506	700	274	283	66	153	185	49	44
Grains (041-048):											
Corn (maize), seed	Bu.	1/	1/	1	1/	8	2	2	3	1/	12
Sorghum grain	Bu.	N.A.	1,211	636	496	1,840	N.A.	126	31	55	202
Wheat, seed	Bu.	N.A.	0	1/	5	1	N.A.	0	1	24	6
Grains and preparations, n.e.s.	Bu.	N.A.	0	N.A.	N.A.	0	2	0	10	1	0
Fruits and edible nuts (051-053):											
Bananas, fresh	Lb.	7,987	11,100	19,214	14,669	18,449	260	398	654	508	688
Berries, fresh or prepared:											
Strawberries, fresh	Lb.	3,412	4,092	5,791	11,747	20,499	421	513	844	2,048	3,180
Strawberries, frozen	Lb.	2/34,550	39,720	51,796	82,826	72,692	4,374	5,679	7,805	15,265	9,991
Strawberry paste, pulp 3/	Lb.	6,593	6,835	7,224	7,702	6,024	711	805	911	1,132	713
Berries, fresh or prepared, n.e.s. 4/	Lb.	264	81	47	46	36	35	14	9	6	7
Fruit juices:											
Lime juice	Gal.	372	74	186	77	116	274	66	139	73	110
Orange juice, concentrated	Gal.	N.A.	3,968	265	23	0	N.A.	3,229	104	10	0
Pineapple juice, concentrated	Gal.	N.A.	987	557	61	1/	N.A.	615	249	32	1
Fruit juices, n.e.s.	Gal.	1,760	61	307	162	161	1,343	51	252	155	119
Grapefruit, fresh	Lb.	727	2,163	88	104	36	25	138	6	13	3
Grapes, fresh	Lb.	N.A.	444	863	1,094	1,167	84	46	87	114	129
Limes, fresh	Lb.	4,890	4,094	3,414	3,410	2,518	362	310	268	306	195
Mangoes, fresh or prepared	Lb.	1,166	1,349	1,038	1,137	1,783	285	255	233	270	354
Melons, fresh:											
Cantaloupes	Lb.	110,427	130,062	146,532	136,507	117,218	4,858	6,686	7,413	5,895	6,133
Watermelons	Lb.	62,793	56,923	71,411	61,459	64,078	1,055	1,332	1,323	1,349	1,276
Melons, n.e.s.	Lb.	4,418	3,592	4,862	4,400	4,503	143	147	221	192	186
Oranges, fresh	Lb.	112,949	110,637	69,998	47,497	50,364	3,796	4,765	3,317	2,706	3,550
Papayas, fresh or prepared	Lb.	N.A.	319	202	175	562	N.A.	28	12	14	46

See footnotes at end of table.

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Table 3.--U.S. agricultural imports for consumption from Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67--Continued

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
		-- Thousands --					-- 1,000 dollars --				
Pineapples, fresh or prepared:											
Pineapples, fresh	No.	14,390	10,476	8,818	7,487	4,656	905	682	572	501	284
Pineapples, canned	Lb.	18,849	20,715	19,453	27,075	28,043	2,124	2,509	2,580	3,549	3,361
Pineapples, prepared, excl. canned	Lb.	1,900	5,611	6,791	3,766	2,635	287	1,043	740	441	397
Plantains, fresh	Lb.	N.A.	5,247	3,763	2,440	2,957	68	184	130	98	117
Fruits, fresh or prepared, n.e.s.:--		N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	79	87	339	41	60
Nuts, edible:											
Coconuts	No.	443	104	64	39	24	22	6	6	1	7
Peanuts	Lb.	3,148	1,956	921	2,060	1,980	424	245	100	269	253
Pecans	Lb.	623	344	0	4	601	336	188	0	1	418
Nuts, edible, n.e.s.	Lb.	1	7	1/	15	1	1	4	1/	2	1/
Vegetables and preparations (054-055):											
Beans, fresh or frozen	Lb.	8,512	7,523	8,255	6,112	7,162	1,266	1,128	1,019	951	1,040
Beans, dried	Lb.	52	47	1,154	263	32	6	4	102	31	4
Carrots, fresh or frozen	Lb.	42	1,110	1,518	4,170	2,653	1/	9	10	35	41
Chickpeas, prepared	Lb.	1,816	1,889	3,724	911	961	176	187	369	236	113
Cucumbers, fresh	Lb.	21,378	17,226	39,370	48,076	58,412	1,493	1,324	2,843	3,638	4,518
Eggplant, fresh or frozen	Lb.	2,671	3,388	4,426	5,686	7,186	183	307	388	481	564
Garlic, fresh	Lb.	6,854	6,690	6,968	6,248	9,160	1,272	865	962	912	1,538
Garlic, dried or flour	Lb.	59	116	275	22	155	21	16	107	1	47
Mushrooms, prepared or pres.	Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	46	30	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	34	21
Okra, fresh or frozen	Lb.	203	0	110	31	798	9	0	7	2	49
Onions, fresh, excl. sets	Lb.	35,320	31,964	39,312	50,530	41,407	1,906	1,705	2,158	3,097	2,776
Onions, dried or in brine	Lb.	1,160	50	23	17	1	290	19	1	4	1/
Peas, fresh or frozen	Lb.	5,298	5,102	4,702	5,767	4,848	466	433	642	783	778
Peppers, fresh or frozen	Lb.	16,244	13,078	17,672	24,591	27,799	2,205	1,951	2,024	3,702	4,293
Radishes, fresh or frozen	Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	374	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	23
Squash, fresh or frozen	Lb.	1,823	2,564	5,525	5,057	11,129	172	317	414	546	1,149
Tomatoes, fresh or prepared:											
Tomatoes, fresh	Lb.	239,965	246,122	265,459	358,742	362,354	20,706	27,355	29,425	52,015	42,607
Tomatoes, prep., excl. sauce: Lb.		53	40	1	1	1,143	3	4	1/	1/	68
Tomato paste and sauce	Lb.	6	160	1,899	7,080	10,015	1	17	180	966	1,432
Vegetables, fresh, n.e.s.	Lb.	3,965	3,473	4,366	9,401	4,342	393	316	365	648	352
Vegetables, prepared, n.e.s.:--	Lb.	2,895	4,822	11,003	7,439	13,700	397	535	702	774	1,192
Sugar, molasses, and honey (061-062):											
Sugar, cane	Lb.	727,887	947,911	971,693	968,778	1,039,150	48,439	68,893	53,176	57,136	65,736
Molasses, inedible	Gal.	93,175	86,404	95,565	99,312	130,709	14,232	9,748	7,383	8,535	14,094
Honey	Lb.	1,608	3,905	6,723	6,822	7,395	208	502	601	716	630
Coffee, cocoa, and spices (071-075):											
Coffee, green or crude	Lb.	107,234	188,598	150,614	136,906	130,979	36,365	81,634	64,323	56,964	48,411

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Table 3.--U.S. agricultural imports for consumption from Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67--Continued

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Coffee, cocoa, and spices (071-075)--Continued:											
Coffee, roasted or ground	:Lb.	3,343	5,978	2,367	1,081	2,444	1,002	2,541	1,006	463	1,030
Coffee, soluble	:Lb.	N.A.	515	8	1,011	701	N.A.	652	7	724	691
Coffee essences, extracts	:Lb.	1,512	1,502	4	11	0	1,678	1,821	4	6	0
Cocoa beans	:Lb.	37,201	6,460	19,809	13,271	16,093	8,249	1,257	2,567	2,702	3,534
Cocoa powder and cake	:Lb.	38	0	2	0	623	7	0	1/	0	63
Cocoa butter	:Lb.	0	0	0	428	1,731	0	0	0	176	918
Chocolate, prepared	:Lb.	9	29	13	12	999	7	9	5	4	280
Spices:											
-- Thousands --											
Anise seed	:Lb.	24	6	18	4	108	7	2	4	2	27
Dill	:Lb.	N.A.	36	0	108	126	N.A.	8	0	25	27
Marjoram and origanum	:Lb.	386	521	1,013	1,575	1,396	70	109	142	264	229
Pepper, capsicum	:Lb.	3,143	7,637	8,418	10,269	9,818	630	1,542	1,804	2,152	1,967
Pimento, unground	:Lb.	80	77	148	75	73	54	49	111	77	52
Vanilla beans	:Lb.	31	24	66	31	91	247	173	551	124	380
Spices, other	:Lb.	5/963	433	162	8	7	5/177	76	53	1	1
Animal feeds (081):											
Cottonseed oil cake	:Lb.	82,070	43,142	54,217	100,010	117,590	2,511	1,284	1,538	2,947	3,819
Animal feeds, n.e.s.	:---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	428	1,298	1,062	942	618
Food preparations, misc. (099)	:---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	33	42	74	195	210
Beverages (111):											
Beer, ale	:Gal.	388	594	468	507	566	439	650	534	555	618
Beverages, fermented, n.e.s.	:Gal.	22	2	2	1	2	39	9	5	4	10
Tobacco, unmanufactured (121)	:Lb.	1,077	1,144	1,838	2,578	3,915	536	744	1,405	1,991	2,540
Hides and skins (211)	:---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	40	41	45	181	307
Oilseeds (221):											
Sesame seed	:Lb.	5,092	3,406	544	1,774	11,035	439	270	46	729	1,212
Oilseeds, n.e.s.	:---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	5	0	65	1	0
Fibers (261-265):											
Cotton, raw	:Lb.	12,797	3,124	1,072	1,176	19,423	3,592	920	266	317	5,516
Cotton linters	:Lb.	41,827	34,478	31,706	42,828	33,287	2,567	2,279	2,443	3,408	2,848
Abaca	:LTon:	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	65	100	93	299	27
Coir	:LTon:	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	16	22	25	5	20
Istle	:LTon:	7	1	1	1/	1/	1,297	170	260	57	113
Sisal, henequen	:LTon:	20	16	30	34	36	3,819	3,565	4,314	3,894	3,643
Vegetable fibers, n.e.s.	:LTon:	1	1/	1/	2	2	154	42	318	1,265	1,332
Crude animal materials (291):											
Bristles, crude or processed	:Lb.	5	11	16	13	13	35	34	82	68	66
Hair, animal; body, mane, or tail	:Lb.	365	256	282	219	170	612	418	390	305	345
Animal materials, crude, n.e.s.	:---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	27	84	49	117	149
Crude vegetable materials (292):											
Broomcorn	:LTon:	3	5	2	4	6	875	1,273	675	1,485	3,356

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Table 3.--U.S. agricultural imports for consumption from Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67--Continued

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Crude vegetable materials (292)--				-- Thousands --			-- 1,000 dollars --				
Continued:											
Seeds, flower and garden:Lb.		809	1,187	729	596	632	211	333	232	302	297
Vegetable materials, crude,											
n.e.s.:---		N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	460	1,046	847	1,205	1,082
Vegetable oils (422):											
Sesame oil:Lb.		142	437	0	2	556	23	78	0	1/	126
Waxes, animal or vegetable origin :											
(431):											
Beeswax, unbleached:Lb.		486	473	427	681	1,040	237	242	220	369	822
Candelilla wax:Lb.		2,579	3,042	2,404	3,042	2,328	1,201	1,390	1,155	1,487	1,113
Waxes, n.e.s.:Lb.		0	55	0	33	0	0	28	0	17	0
Drugs, crude, natural (541):Lb.		109	281	92	120	96	43	44	81	42	39
Essential oils (551):											
Lime oil:Lb.		543	213	570	587	768	2,933	1,337	3,788	4,018	5,816
Essential oils, other:Lb.		2	2	2	1	6/8	4	15	22	21	6/10
Other agricultural products, n.e.s.:---		---	---	---	---	---	215	78	63	7/490	68
Total agricultural imports		---	---	---	---	---	252,195	292,304	275,836	327,619	327,025

N.A. = Not available.

1/ Less than 500.

2/ Described as "berries, frozen" in 1963.

3/ Included with "fruit pastes and pulp, n.e.s." prior to 1967.

4/ Mostly blueberries.

5/ Mostly paprika.

6/ Lemon oil, 8,000 lbs. (\$8,000).

7/ Chicken eggs in shell, 1,448,000 doz. (\$477,000).

reduced the value to \$3.6 million from \$3.9 million. Replacement of natural cordage by synthetically produced fibers was the chief reason for the price decline.

Unmanufactured tobacco imports from Mexico by the United States have grown steadily to 3.9 million pounds and \$2.5 million in 1967. Deliveries of burley, flue-cured, wrapper, and scrap tobaccos all showed increases from 5 years ago. In 1967, imports of filler leaf amounted to \$1,343,000; burley leaf, \$404,000; wrapper, \$166,000; and scrap, \$627,000. Increased output of tobacco, mainly in Nayarit state, has not only boosted exports but also reduced imports.

Exports by Commodity

Over the last 5 years U.S. agricultural exports to Mexico averaged \$78 million, fluctuating from \$70 million to \$87 million (table 4). The highest level was recorded in 1965 and the lowest in 1967. Sharp changes in grain shipments caused most of the irregularities in U.S. farm exports to Mexico. Other commodities have generally expanded over the same period. Cattle exports to Mexico, mostly dairy stock, increased to nearly \$6.3 million (17,000 head) from \$4.2 million (13,000 head) in 1963. Live poultry shipments also gained steadily to \$2.0 million from \$1.3 million. Edible offal exports rose to \$2.4 million in 1967 from less than \$500,000 in 1963.

The total value of U.S. dairy product exports to Mexico changed little between 1963 and 1967 because larger shipments of evaporated milk were nearly offset by reductions for dry skim milk. France has been the major supplier of dry milk to Mexico for the last 2 years.

U.S. exports of cattle hides to Mexico in 1967 amounted to almost \$13 million against \$8 million a year earlier and \$3 million in 1963. An increase in the demand for hides by Mexican shoe manufacturers accounted for most of the rise.

Shipments of seeds and nursery stock to Mexico by U.S. exporters climbed to \$3.6 million in 1967 from \$2.3 million in 1963. Nursery stock exports during the period more than tripled in value. Expanded and diversified horticultural production in Mexico raised import demand for stock.

Increased livestock production in Mexico also boosted U.S. exports of feeding materials to that country. Prepared dairy and poultry feed shipments to Mexico were \$2.3 million in 1967 against \$1.7 million in 1963.

Grain exports from the United States to Mexico fell to \$3.6 million in 1967 from \$9 million a year earlier and nearly \$30 million in 1963. Corn exports shrank to less than \$1 million from \$21 million during the same period. Barley shipments rose to a peak of \$7.5 million in 1965 from less than \$1 million in 1963, then fell steadily again to less than \$500,000. Rice exports followed the same pattern with the highest level at \$2.6 million in 1965. Sorghum sales also declined sharply over the 5-year period. At the same time, Mexican grain output attained surplus positions and corn was exported.

Large shipments of cottonseed oil occurred in 1965, further swelling the total of U.S. farm exports to Mexico during that year. Lard exports grew in volume, but prices fell toward the end of the period causing value to drop sharply.

The Mexican market for imported tobacco disappeared in 1967, following production increases; U.S. exports of tobacco, mostly burley leaf, had averaged about \$4 million prior to 1966.

Hops, dried beans, and essential oils accounted for most of the remaining U.S. farm exports to Mexico. Hop exports to that country usually amount to about \$2 million

Table 4.--U.S. agricultural exports to Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
		-- Thousands --					-- 1,000 dollars --				
Animals, live (001):											
Cattle	No.	13	6	28	17	17	4,242	3,568	6,126	5,517	6,274
Horses and mules	No.	1/	1/	1/	1	1	87	116	145	289	178
Poultry:											
Chicks, baby	No.	1,856	1,820	2,053	1,826	2,086	1,213	1,152	1,341	1,046	1,275
Poultry, live, excl. chicks	No.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	1,469	95	125	295	257	772
Sheep, lambs, and goats	No.	3	5	18	48	114	74	159	276	490	1,225
Swine	No.	2	13	10	6	8	82	597	555	414	527
Live animals (for food), n.e.s.	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	116	190	30	31	22
Meat and preparations (011):											
Beef and veal, fresh or frozen ..	Lb.	141	180	150	159	155	80	117	163	152	147
Edible offals, fresh or frozen ..	Lb.	3,823	4,297	10,477	13,728	13,459	491	570	1,892	2,001	2,382
Pork, fresh or frozen, excl.											
offals	Lb.	6,444	7,458	1,764	2,193	1,860	653	975	236	395	356
Poultry meat, fresh or frozen, excl.											
offals	Lb.	628	1,036	819	773	880	175	237	225	235	247
Meat preparations, n.e.s.	Lb.	319	604	2,093	628	1,160	123	219	408	260	308
Dairy products and eggs (022):											
Milk, evaporated	Lb.	24,925	25,321	11,882	26,667	31,429	3,616	3,637	1,836	3,835	4,635
Milk, nonfat dried, excl.											
relief	Lb.	21,409	24,047	25,734	4,929	1,261	1,579	2,007	3,822	852	272
Milk, whole, dried	Lb.	659	315	762	967	1,851	105	54	377	264	408
Eggs in shell	Doz.	101	590	492	57	2,498	42	250	200	26	1,119
Dairy products, n.e.s.	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	780	799	278	78	252
Grains and products (041-048):											
Barley, unmilled	Bu.	530	2,103	4,373	1,752	221	717	3,413	7,469	3,043	445
Corn, unmilled, excl. seed	Bu.	13,604	530	590	411	568	21,059	1,171	976	625	868
Corn, seed, excl. sweet corn	Bu.	7	54	66	33	39	57	422	454	209	276
Oats, unmilled	Bu.	42	40	425	636	105	42	41	409	553	76
Oatmeal and groats	Cwt.	47	41	67	79	31	255	242	349	367	155
Rice, milled and unmilled	Lb.	6,875	6,375	42,147	19,387	505	574	497	2,553	1,498	48
Sorghum grain, unmilled	Bu.	5,566	1,298	1,997	1,802	863	6,843	1,673	2,590	2,212	1,003
Wheat, unmilled, excl. relief	Bu.	2	5	3	1	4	5	13	6	2	8
Wheat flour, excl. relief	Cwt.	32	100	55	9	3	190	562	291	49	17
Grains and products, n.e.s.	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	815	1,063	1,081	628	711
Fruits and edible nuts (051-053):											
Fresh fruits:											
Apples	Lb.	7,688	7,400	8,037	8,412	7,464	579	539	624	648	633
Apricots	Lb.	971	1,078	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	48	51	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Berries	Lb.	15	8	5	30	46	3	2	1	3	5
Cherries	Lb.	5	39	47	83	86	1	9	12	21	26
Grapes	Lb.	1,774	1,529	2,067	1,934	1,144	137	119	200	162	109

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Table 4.--U.S. agricultural exports to Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67--Continued

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
Fresh fruits--Continued											
Lemons and limes	:Lb.	7,363	6,596	6,955	8,514	8,298	263	263	293	332	336
Melons	:Lb.	514	506	376	147	157	6	8	16	4	6
Oranges and tangerines	:Lb.	8,277	12,408	8,093	8,550	2,660	485	665	453	424	136
Peaches and nectarines	:Lb.	2,817	2,683	3,110	3,379	2,297	133	118	135	171	131
Pears	:Lb.	1,965	2,891	2,298	3,387	950	131	167	155	209	113
Plums and prunes	:Lb.	292	186	268	123	169	21	14	25	13	29
Fresh fruits, n.e.s.	:Lb.	5,645	5,727	5,116	8,662	2/10,974	680	805	877	1,177	2/1,596
Prepared fruits:											
Grapefruit juice, conc.	:Gal.	20	20	62	62	69	51	52	145	155	193
Jams, jellies, and marmalades	:Lb.	316	227	180	269	202	86	57	54	74	50
Prunes, dried	:Lb.	1,416	1,937	1,366	1,467	1,107	186	159	201	190	169
Raisins, dried	:Lb.	4,774	2,381	4,272	5,575	2,817	409	201	406	666	339
Prepared fruits, n.e.s.	:---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	369	457	408	607	365
Nuts:											
Almonds	:Lb.	570	672	408	887	935	194	236	152	459	396
Filberts	:Lb.	N.A.	6	3	142	22	N.A.	2	1	74	11
Peanuts, prepared	:Lb.	44	69	21	30	52	10	20	9	17	23
Pecans	:Lb.	28	33	39	375	79	7	9	12	114	41
Walnuts	:Lb.	131	149	165	227	174	44	49	55	71	65
Edible nuts, n.e.s.	:Lb.	161	407	319	204	333	89	260	200	180	168
Vegetables (054-055):											
Fresh vegetables:											
Beans	:Lb.	569	526	83	5	40	45	43	8	1/	3
Carrots	:Lb.	598	729	931	1,086	1,155	20	29	37	45	52
Celery	:Lb.	103	231	868	691	605	6	21	67	51	43
Lettuce	:Lb.	2,559	2,260	2,154	1,144	1,035	123	129	123	68	56
Potatoes, white	:Lb.	3,794	13,296	6,049	4,973	9,558	88	365	253	173	280
Tomatoes	:Lb.	418	1,148	242	1,981	865	16	44	8	118	42
Fresh vegetables, n.e.s.	:---	---	---	---	---	---	141	115	64	76	135
Prepared vegetables:											
Asparagus, canned	:Lb.	326	506	141	118	35	111	168	46	48	14
Beans, dried, excl. seed	:Lb.	24,111	21,225	2,651	11,645	11,853	1,866	1,581	253	983	1,053
Beans, canned	:Lb.	1,883	1,534	1,998	1,990	1,349	188	168	237	224	156
Corn, canned	:Lb.	609	779	1,195	1,131	1,271	63	78	147	131	135
Hops	:Lb.	1,721	3,991	3,781	3,424	2,430	1,024	2,416	2,330	2,127	1,450
Lentils, dried	:Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	199	328	280	N.A.	N.A.	16	37	31
Peas, prepared or preserved	:Lb.	641	361	908	756	804	75	18	78	67	70
Seed beans and peas	:Lb.	732	805	940	1,295	771	135	203	167	206	153
Prepared vegetables, n.e.s.	:---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	631	259	788	300	256
Sugar, honey, and flavoring extracts (061-062)	:Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	301	314	2,061	2,171	1,275

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Table 4.--U.S. agricultural exports to Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67--Continued

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
		-- Thousands --					-- 1,000 dollars --				
Coffee, tea, cocoa, spices, and preparations (071-075)	Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	714	846	871	250	458	387	579	472
Animal feeds (081):											
Alfalfa meal	Ston	N.A.	N.A.	1/	1/	1/	N.A.	N.A.	1	21	14
Dairy feeds, prepared	Ston	1/	1	2	2	2	21	74	160	178	293
Dog and cat foods	Ston	N.A.	N.A.	2	2	2	N.A.	N.A.	204	242	315
Hay and fodder, n.e.s.	Ston	20	28	23	25	17	628	854	742	847	682
Meat meal	Ston	N.A.	N.A.	9	8	5	N.A.	N.A.	800	811	473
Poultry feed, prepared	Ston	20	21	23	26	24	1,656	1,768	1,874	2,158	2,011
Soybean oil cake and meal	Ston	9	32	29	20	16	806	2,727	2,500	1,987	1,545
Other oil cake and meal	Ston	1/	1/	1	1/	1	1	1	65	17	51
Feeds and fodders, n.e.s.	Ston	7	10	1/	1	1	523	985	126	249	270
Miscellaneous food preparations (091-099):											
Gelatin, edible	Lb.	1,129	1,218	759	82	146	993	1,052	521	75	162
Lard	Lb.	10,819	7,231	11,154	15,292	15,647	1,070	945	1,510	2,234	1,850
Shortening, excl. relief	Lb.	458	687	1,495	1,810	1,523	59	91	264	309	242
Soups, prepared	Lb.	1,289	1,648	1,820	2,349	2,498	228	281	311	364	403
Yeast and baking powder	Lb.	559	587	1,146	1,174	1,203	134	142	237	218	214
Food preparations, n.e.s.	---	---	---	---	---	---	312	622	801	741	984
Beverages (111-112)	Gal.	3	1	54	63	45	11	9	111	154	115
Tobacco, unmanufactured (121):											
Burley leaf	Lb.	3,588	4,492	3,776	2,410	1/	3,303	4,112	3,351	2,114	1/
Cigar wrapper	Lb.	55	6	4	3	0	68	15	12	8	0
Flue-cured	Lb.	1,227	630	675	441	1	1,078	514	468	321	1
Tobacco, unmd., n.e.s.	Lb.	77	1	329	0	2	28	1/	84	0	1
Hides and skins (211):											
Cattle hides	No.	501	1,084	1,217	802	1,547	3,266	6,738	8,399	7,969	12,564
Calf skins	No.	41	78	83	60	85	139	207	380	291	284
Kip skins	No.	23	33	11	11	38	135	260	79	78	200
Sheep, goat, and other	No.	N.A.	N.A.	324	184	403	172	528	380	177	276
Oilseeds (221):											
Cottonseed	Lb.	4,226	2,195	2,789	1,938	2,753	534	259	291	237	428
Peanuts, shelled, green	Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	57	2	58	N.A.	N.A.	21	1	23
Safflower seed	Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	4,156	391	148	N.A.	N.A.	406	38	11
Soybeans	Bu.	34	104	175	24	259	94	278	484	71	892
Oilseeds, n.e.s.	Lb.	80	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	12	39	117	36	26
Textile materials (261-265):											
Hair, animal, excl. mohair	Lb.	180	60	100	119	127	215	75	103	147	65
Mohair	Lbs.	199	336	323	268	224	192	451	372	302	229
Crude animal materials, n.e.s.	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	646	944	745	1,109	1,313
(291)	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.					

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Table 4.--U.S. agricultural exports to Mexico: Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67--Continued

Commodity and SITC subgroup	Unit	Quantity					Value				
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
		-- Thousands --					-- 1,000 dollars --				
Crude vegetable materials, n.e.s.											
(292):											
Alfalfa seed	Lb.	1,919	2,537	3,567	3,331	2,187	665	748	1,119	1,110	890
Grass seed, other	Lb.	728	1,181	835	885	1,030	131	195	107	219	207
Nursery stock	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	367	485	862	1,216	1,239
Vegetable and flower seeds	Lb.	4,650	2,934	2,463	12,812	3,158	1,105	951	1,002	2,027	1,304
Other crude vegetable materials:---	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	735	942	1,358	1,881	1,785
Animal fats and oils (411):											
Pork fat, unrendered	Lb.	N.A.	N.A.	3,161	2,990	764	N.A.	278	253	285	71
Tallow	Lb.	182	129	1,028	3,129	3,515	15	9	99	253	247
Other animal fats and oils	---	N.A.	N.A.	553	347	312	279	466	103	59	47
Vegetable oils (421-431):											
Cottonseed oil	Lb.	5	2,118	45,536	11,695	24	1	219	6,244	1,578	3
Linseed oil	Lb.	245	836	4,123	954	205	46	124	514	116	39
Soybean oil	Lb.	488	204	2,294	260	82	74	15	306	35	13
Vegetable oils, n.e.s.	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	384	185	570	648
Essential oils (551):											
Lemon oil	Lb.	10	19	13	32	12	52	104	85	144	68
Mint oil, excl. peppermint	Lb.	16	35	23	21	44	53	143	136	122	242
Orange oil	Lb.	27	41	82	51	63	61	76	108	69	78
Peppermint oil	Lb.	35	55	73	77	69	202	384	505	537	503
Essential oils, n.e.s.	Lb.	116	142	239	21	221	254	346	658	770	740
Relief or charity	---	---	---	---	---	---	9,460	10,439	1,397	25	35
Other agricultural products, n.e.s.:---	---	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	511	495	86	481	925
Total agricultural exports	---	---	---	---	---	---	83,460	75,314	86,822	73,503	69,693

N.A. = Not available.

1/ Less than 500.

2/ Tropical fruits, fresh, n.e.s., 9,414,000 lbs., \$1,518,000.

annually; only \$1.5 million worth were shipped in 1967. Dried beans amounted to \$1 million, up slightly from the previous year. The value of essential oils, mostly mint oils, totaled \$1.6 million, about equal to 1966.

Donations of food by the U.S. Government through charitable organizations fell off sharply in the last 2 years from \$10 million in 1964. Prior to 1966, these donations included principally wheat flour and nonfat dry milk (table 5).

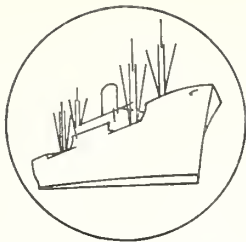
Table 5.--U.S. exports to Mexico of food for relief or charity:
Quantity and value by commodity, calendar years 1963-67

Commodity	Unit	Quantity						Value					
		1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1963	1967
				-- Thousands					-- 1,000 dollars				
Beans, dry	Lb.	835	---	19	---	---	42	---	1	---	---	---	---
Corn	Bu.	483	1,083	83	1	---	708	1,676	111	1	---	---	---
Corn meal	Cwt.	155	228	20	---	---	713	848	79	---	---	---	---
Wheat flour	Cwt.	516	682	100	1	---	3,471	2,646	455	3	---	---	---
Wheat	Bu.	---	53	<u>1/</u>	---	<u>2/</u>	---	116	106	---	---	1	1
Cheese	Lb.	500	---	---	1	2	145	---	---	<u>2/</u>	---	1	1
Milk, nonfat dry	Lb.	45,298	25,451	5,445	14	91	3,881	2,065	550	1	17	---	---
Milk, evaporated	Lb.	---	210	---	---	---	---	31	---	---	---	---	---
Other <u>3/</u>	---	---	---	---	---	---	500	3,055	95	20	16	---	---
Total	---	---	---	---	---	---	9,460	10,439	1,397	25	35	---	---

1/ Cracked wheat, 1,898,000 pounds.

2/ Less than 500.

3/ Shortening accounted for \$56,000 in 1965, \$15,000 in 1966, and \$4,000 in 1967.



SPECIAL in this issue

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS AS SHARE OF PRODUCTION

U.S. agricultural exports, totaling \$6.3 billion in fiscal 1968 (year ended June 30), were equivalent to about 15 percent of 1967 cash receipts from farm marketings. Although animals and animal products accounted for about 57 percent of these receipts, they comprised only 10 percent of the agricultural exports in 1967/68. Crop products, which made up most of the export total, formed about 31 percent of the 1967 cash receipts from crops.

The production of commodities for which the export shares increased from 1966/67 include wheat and wheat flour, cotton, soybeans, raisins, lemons and limes, and dry edible beans (table 6). Those with declining shares were dry edible peas, rice, cattle hides, tallow, hops, tobacco, dried prunes, flaxseed, grain sorghums, nonfat dry milk, dried whole milk, rye, variety meats, and barley.

The export market is particularly important for a number of commodities. In 1967/68, over 70 percent of the dry edible pea production was exported. Rice exports represented 64 percent of domestic production, up 58 percent for the 1962-64 average. Wheat exports accounted for 63 percent of total production, about the same as the 1962-64 average. Around half of the hides and skins and cotton were exported. The share of cotton production that was exported increased in both 1966/67 and 1967/68. Soybeans and soybean product exports continued to increase and accounted for two-fifths of the total production, about the same as the 1962-64 average. The increase in exports has more than matched the increase in domestic production of soybeans since 1961/62.

About one-third of the production of tobacco, dried prunes, and hops and about a fifth of the nonfat dry milk, lemons, and dry edible beans were exported.

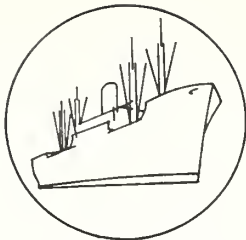
Even though corn, barley, grain sorghums, and other feed grains are exported in large quantities, exports account for a relatively small share of their total production. This is due partly to the large share of feed grain production that is used on the farm where it is grown for feed and seed rather than sold. Corn and barley exports were only 12 percent and 8 percent, respectively, of production. However, of the total sold from farms and made available for export in 1967, corn exports accounted for 23 percent of sales from farms and barley exports, 11 percent.

Table 6.--U.S. agricultural exports of specified commodities as share of production: Quantity, fiscal years 1962-64 average and 1965-68

Commodity	Unit	Production			Exports -- year ending June 30			Share of production exported year ending June 30								
		Average : 1961-63	1964	1965	1966	1967	Average : 1962-64	1965	1966	Average : 1965-1966-64	1967	1968	1965	1966	1967	1968
		-- Million units --			-- Million units --			-- Percent --								
Dried edible peas	Cwt.	4.4	4.7	4.1	3.7	3.8	2.3	2.8	2.7	3.0	2.7	52	60	66	81	71
Rice (milled basis)	Cwt.	44.0	51.0	50.9	59.0	64.5	25.3	28.6	30.4	39.6	41.4	58	56	60	67	64
Wheat, incl. flour equiv.	Bu.	1,156.8	1,290.6	1,315.6	1,310.6	1,524.3	734.7	715.6	859.2	733.8	764.2	64	55	65	56	63
Cotton	Bale	14.8	15.2	15.0	9.6	7.6	4.5	4.5	3.1	4.6	4.1	30	30	21	48	54
Cattle hides	No.	22.3	22.8	23.4	23.8	39.8	8.1	12.8	13.6	14.0	12.2	36	56	58	59	46
Soybeans 2/	Bu.	682.7	701.9	845.6	931.5	972.7	270.0	336.9	350.5	343.3	395.0	43	48	41	37	41
Tallow	Lb.	4,181.0	5,241.0	4,913.0	5,013.0	5,186.0	1,662.4	2,099.4	1,840.3	2,008.8	2,036.0	40	40	37	40	39
Raisins	Lb.	453.3	460.0	544.0	556.0	366.0	109.4	113.6	126.9	132.8	139.1	24	25	23	24	38
Hops	Lb.	43.7	53.4	56.1	55.4	49.5	19.8	23.0	23.6	22.4	17.8	45	43	42	40	36
Tobacco (farm sales weight)	Lb.	2,240.2	2,227.3	1,854.6	1,847.3	2,007.3	574.9	551.0	536.3	708.9	638.0	26	25	29	38	32
Dried prunes	Lb.	286.7	363.1	338.0	264.0	300.0	84.6	98.4	124.1	93.5	90.8	30	27	37	35	30
Flaxseed	Bu.	28.5	24.4	35.4	23.9	19.9	3.1	6.5	5.2	7.5	5.0	11	27	15	31	25
Grain sorghums	Bu.	525.8	491.9	672.7	720.4	765.6	101.5	118.8	243.2	279.2	173.2	19	24	36	39	23
Lemons and limes	Lb.	1,239.9	1,155.2	1,269.0	1,363.6	1,247.6	199.7	196.6	264.3	261.4	260.4	16	17	21	19	21
Nonfat dry milk	Lb.	2,125.5	2,149.5	1,999.0	1,587.5	1,694.2	1,056.4	945.3	738.2	373.0	329.6	50	44	37	23	19
Dried edible beans	Cwt.	19.8	17.8	16.5	20.3	15.5	3.2	3.1	2.8	3.6	2.4	16	17	17	18	19
Dried whole milk	Lb.	80.0	91.4	85.0	87.5	82.8	19.2	15.4	18.8	15.1	11.8	24	17	22	17	14
Rye, grain	Bu.	32.5	33.3	33.2	27.9	24.1	12.7	2.1	3.8	4.4	2.8	39	6	11	16	12
Corn, grain	Bu.	3,784.6	3,583.8	4,084.3	4,103.3	4,722.2	413.7	520.8	674.0	495.1	566.8	11	15	16	12	12
Variety meats	Lb.	1,996.0	2,219.0	2,143.0	2,212.0	2,315.0	230.7	226.3	209.9	231.6	199.1	12	10	10	10	9
Lard	Lb.	2,491.7	2,476.0	2,050.0	1,929.0	2,077.0	515.2	442.4	182.5	168.9	186.2	21	18	9	9	9
Barley, grain	Bu.	412.6	402.9	392.3	389.6	370.2	38.2	58.3	74.6	42.9	29.5	9	14	19	11	8

^{1/} Preliminary.

^{2/} Includes bean equivalent of soybean products for export.



SPECIAL in this issue

SELECTED PRICE SERIES OF INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE

Continued declines in rice and soybean prices were significant, but other price changes from August to September were mostly small.

The September price of U.S. No. 1, Hard Winter wheat, ordinary protein, f.o.b. Gulf ports, averaged \$1.50 a bushel, unchanged from August (table 7). Weekly price quotations, from which the monthly averages are computed, reached a low point of \$1.47 at the end of August, but recovered to \$1.52 at the end of September and beginning of October. The cost of export certificates, which exporters pass on to their buyers, resulted in an average buyers' price of \$1.74, in line with the minimum price provisions of the International Grains Arrangement. The sellers' price of U.S. No. 1, Hard Winter wheat, 14 percent protein, averaged 12 cents a bushel above that of similar wheat with ordinary protein. At the end of September and beginning of October, 14 percent protein wheat was quoted at \$1.65, the highest price reported so far this marketing year and previously attained only once, in mid-July. American No. 2, Hard Winter wheat, c.i.f. U.K., was quoted on average at 30.5 pounds sterling a long ton or \$1.96 a bushel in September, up 2 cents from August. That quotation is the closest c.i.f. U.K. equivalent of Gulf port, ordinary protein, quotations. The differential between No. 1, as used in the f.o.b. Gulf quotation, and No. 2, as used in the U.K., is typically not more than 1 cent a bushel. The implicit average freight cost from Gulf ports to U.K. ports was 23 cents a bushel.

The price of Australian wheat, c.i.f. U.K., held steady at 29.1 pounds sterling a long ton in September, while the forward price for new crop Argentinian wheat dropped to 29.0 pounds, slightly below the average quotation for Australian wheat. Most of the time, the c.i.f. U.K. price for Argentine wheat is slightly above that for Australian wheat. A premium for the former is also reflected in the International Grains Arrangement.

The price of Canadian No. 1, Northern wheat, basis Fort William-Port Arthur, continued its slight climb in recent months. At Canadian \$2.01 a bushel, the September 1968 price exceeded that of a year earlier by 8 cents.

The price of U.S. No. 3, yellow corn, c.i.f. U.K., continued to decline. At 22.2 pounds sterling a long ton in September, it was 1 percent below a month earlier and, in terms of dollar equivalent, 12 percent below a year earlier. The Argentine corn price, c.i.f. U.K., increased slightly to 25.1 pounds in September, and the premium of Argentine corn over U.S. corn rose to 2.9 pounds or 13 percent. Sorghum grain prices, c.i.f. U.K., were not quoted in September.

The export price of Thai rice declined further to 80.6 pounds or \$193 a metric ton. This price is still higher than it was from 1960 to February 1967. The price of U.S. soybeans, c.i.f. U.K., dropped 0.5 percent, in response to the large U.S. crop and the substantial U.S. carryover stocks.

Memphis Territory cotton, strict middling 1-1/16 inches, c.i.f. Liverpool, was nominally quoted at 34.10 cents a pound, 1 percent lower than in August and July.

Table 7.--Selected price series of international significance

Year and month	Wheat, Canada, No. 1 Northern, in store, Fort William-Port Arthur export (Class II)	Wheat, U.S. No. 1, Hard Winter, ordinary protein, f.o.b. Gulf ports	Wheat, U.S. No. 2, Hard Winter, c.i.f. U.K., nearest forward shipment	Wheat, Argentine Up-River, c.i.f. U.K., nearest forward shipment	Wheat, Australian c.i.f. U.K., nearest forward shipment
	Can. \$/bu.	\$/m.t.	\$/bu.	\$/m.t.	\$/m.t.
	£/l.t.	£/l.t.	£/l.t.	£/l.t.	£/l.t.
1967					
September	1.93	66	1.73	64	2/27.7
October	1.94	66	1.73	64	2/28.2
November	1.90	65	1.71	63	2/28.3
December	1.91	65	1.69	62	2/31.6
1968					
January	1.98	67	1.70	62	30.3
February	1.92	65	1.70	62	30.0
March	1.94	66	1.73	64	30.8
April	1.94	66	1.68	62	29.8
May	1.93	66	1.65	61	29.8
June	1.97	67	1/1.58	1/58	31.0
July	1.99	68	1/1.52	1/56	31.3
August	2.00	68	1/1.50	1/55	30.2
September	2.01	68	1/1.50	1/55	30.5
	Corn, Argentine, c.i.f. U.K., nearest forward shipment	Corn, U.S. No. 3, yellow, c.i.f. U.K., nearest forward shipment	Rice, Thailand, White, 5-7% broken, Gov't. std., f.o.b. Bangkok	Soybeans, U.S. No. 2, bulk, c.i.f. U.K., nearest forward shipment	Cotton, American, Memphis Territory, strict middling 1-1/16," c.i.f. Liverpool 4/
	£/l.t.	\$/m.t.	£/l.t.	\$/m.t.	£/lb.
1967					
September	---	59	21.3	59	40.1
October	---	58	21.1	58	39.8
November	---	57	22.2	57	42.6
December	---	57	24.2	57	48.0
1968					
January	---	59	24.8	59	48.3
February	---	58	24.6	58	48.4
March	27.4	65	24.8	59	48.7
April	25.9	61	23.9	56	48.1
May	26.2	62	23.8	56	48.4
June	27.0	64	23.5	56	48.3
July	26.5	63	23.4	55	46.5
August	25.1	59	22.5	53	44.6
September	25.1	59	22.2	52	44.4

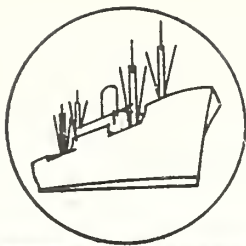
1/ These are seller's prices excluding export certificates at an average cost of \$0.23 in June, \$0.21 in July, \$0.23 in August, and \$0.24 in September, raising the buyer's prices to \$1.71 in June, \$1.73 in both July and August, and \$1.74 in September.

2/ U.S. No.1, September to mid-December 1967.

3/ 5% broken.

4/ Nominal.

Source: Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Economics and Statistics, FAO, and for recent months, original sources.



World Trade Highlights

AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS OF JAPAN, CHINA (TAIWAN), AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

Beginning with this issue, the Foreign Development and Trade Division will publish selected world trade data on agricultural imports and exports of various countries. In this article, import data are shown for Japan, Taiwan, and the Republic of Korea and agricultural exports for Australia and New Zealand.

Agricultural Imports of Japan.--Agricultural imports of Japan in 1967 reached \$3,296 million, 74 percent higher than in 1962 (table 8). Its agricultural imports have increased each year since 1962, reflecting upward trends in imports of animals and animal products, food and feed grains, fruits and vegetables, oilseeds, tobacco, coffee, cocoa, tea, and other products (fig. 2). The continuous growth of the country's economy, the widening acceptance of diverse products by the Japanese as a result of higher per capita income, and personal preferences have promoted living standards and demand for imports of many agricultural products. Imports of animals and animal products increased to \$684 million in 1967, 68 percent over 1962. Over the same period, imports of feed grains prompted by the rising production of animals and meat rose threefold to \$485 million. Fruit and vegetable imports in 1967 reached \$194 million, the highest level in 6 years. Imports of oilseeds also reached a 6-year high in 1967, rising to \$415 million.

The U.S. share of total Japanese agricultural imports in 1967 was 31 percent. This is about the average for the period 1962-67. Among the food grain imports by Japan, the U.S. share has expanded from 29 percent in 1962 and reached a high of 45 percent in 1967. The U.S. share of Japanese oilseed imports has declined since 1962. Although the range has been narrow, this share fluctuated from 62 percent in 1964 to 57 percent in 1967. The U.S. share of coffee, cocoa, and tea imports declined from nearly one-third in 1962 to about 3 percent in 1967, and that of animals and animal product imports from about 13 percent to 10 percent. In 1962, the U.S. share of fruit and vegetable imports by Japan was 23 percent; by 1967, it had declined to 16 percent after reaching a low of 15 percent in 1966 (fig. 3).

By commodity group, the U.S. share of Japan's agricultural imports was 45 percent for food grains, 54 percent for feed grains, 68 percent for oils and fats, 57 percent for oilseeds, and 70 percent for tobacco.

The other principal suppliers of agricultural products to the Japanese market are shown in table 9. Australia is Japan's second largest supplier of agricultural products. Australian exports are primarily grains, meats, wool, and animal products. Except for wool, these products are strong competitors with U.S. products. Furthermore, the imports from other major countries are mainly similar to those commodities from the United States.

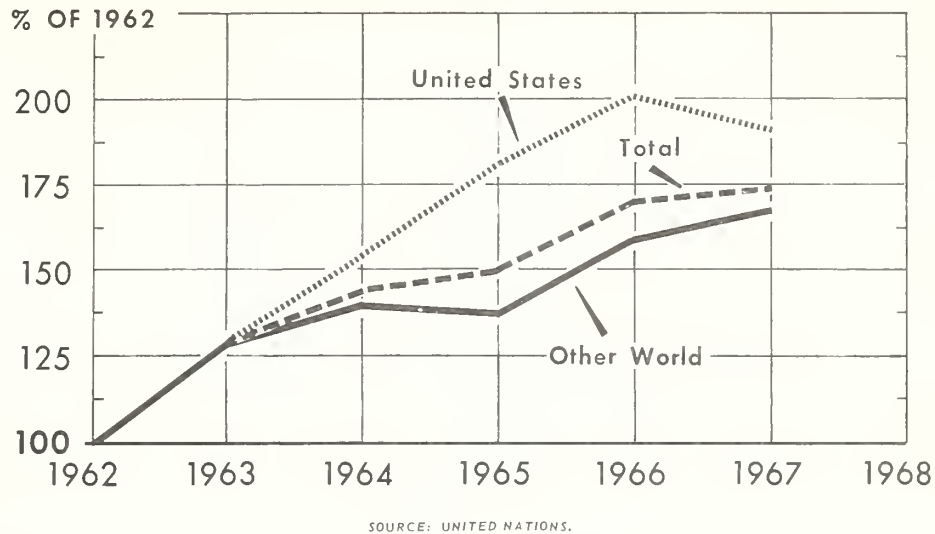
Agricultural Imports of Taiwan.--Agricultural imports of Taiwan totaled \$184 million, 51 percent higher than in 1966, and 78 percent higher than the average for 1962-64. The United States is the principal supplier of these imports with the U.S. share ranging from 61 percent to 77 percent.

Table 8.--Value of total agricultural imports of selected countries and the value of imports from the United States, calendar years 1962-67

Importing country, origin, and year	Total	Animals and animal products	Cotton	Grains Food	Feed	Feeding stuffs	Fruits and vege- tables	Oils and fats	Oilseeds	Tobacco	Coffee, cocoa, and tea	Sugar	Other
-- 1,000 dollars --													
Japan:													
World:													
1962	1,889,386	407,871	381,984	204,762	155,424	34,833	56,240	35,289	205,700	32,265	43,885	134,658	196,475
1963	2,426,431	499,376	439,646	246,160	213,651	58,091	93,191	45,910	271,359	30,682	58,608	260,824	208,933
1964	2,729,127	530,194	436,159	320,368	301,292	70,709	125,640	56,309	283,769	47,089	65,905	274,594	217,099
1965	2,835,513	506,731	437,422	395,824	365,197	91,937	148,004	64,074	332,871	44,647	58,292	184,905	205,609
1966	3,243,850	709,110	420,301	410,068	414,165	98,696	161,477	69,782	411,325	61,525	79,190	162,468	245,743
1967	3,296,184	684,272	440,789	389,883	484,891	72,043	194,485	58,902	415,112	56,881	74,983	177,344	246,600
United States:													
1962	535,217	51,494	124,980	59,967	79,847	10,265	13,061	22,685	124,176	24,117	13,227	127	11,271
1963	692,053	63,072	140,989	97,241	113,929	16,440	13,270	29,061	166,997	21,073	14,472	1,023	14,486
1964	822,634	59,118	144,165	134,887	166,276	20,426	20,608	39,636	176,375	30,662	16,923	1,392	12,166
1965	973,413	58,502	135,866	175,041	249,459	35,953	22,840	47,747	194,720	26,157	17,760	407	8,961
1966	1,078,831	85,047	114,025	174,466	289,346	40,451	24,687	51,110	236,612	46,295	5,923	354	10,515
1967	1,027,991	65,604	137,392	174,875	259,704	26,254	30,342	40,272	237,568	39,734	1,981	1,374	12,891
China (Taiwan):													
World:													
1962	83,170	1/6,190	1/28,818	20,853	1,628	713	1,282	4,292	7,126	2,953	---	---	1/9,315
1963	115,722	1/6,732	1/40,108	28,052	1,370	351	2,272	4,875	20,193	4,031	---	---	1/7,738
1964	111,508	9,318	1/31,187	27,234	2,421	738	3,431	3,666	23,847	2,337	---	---	1/7,329
1965	125,824	13,626	1/36,304	29,134	4,528	906	3,351	5,238	19,997	3,522	144	63	9,011
1966	121,723	8,974	1/38,314	21,456	4,331	2,610	4,884	5,100	21,385	4,471	166	67	9,965
1967	184,033	17,419	44,560	22,875	10,764	5,704	4,147	7,399	45,684	11,138	212	102	14,029
United States:													
1962	60,755	447	1/27,188	18,620	1,581	---	---	3,430	6,522	2,660	---	---	1/307
1963	88,798	786	1/34,248	26,936	996	---	---	3,677	18,272	3,476	---	---	1/407
1964	68,244	896	1/20,930	20,823	282	---	---	2,243	20,488	2,209	---	---	1/373
1965	78,803	1,102	1/23,520	24,372	2,194	---	94	4,802	19,252	2,921	47	3	496
1966	71,346	738	1/24,621	16,779	524	55	194	3,953	19,612	4,199	71	---	600
1967	119,141	1,343	36,527	19,609	477	29	992	5,848	43,081	10,264	74	11	885
Korea, Republic of:													
World:													
1962	100,886	8,958	34,179	26,053	8,141	---	---	3,830	668	---	---	4,503	1/14,554
1963	179,421	9,471	38,153	84,000	15,319	4,200	185	5,022	576	130	---	4,660	1/17,705
1964	120,218	5,343	37,254	36,810	15,051	359	399	3,965	1,185	---	---	3,823	1/15,989
1965	121,447	6,922	40,856	35,894	5,824	373	509	3,702	328	---	184	3,995	22,860
1966	158,967	8,777	42,774	63,690	924	562	514	5,172	1,370	---	92	6,173	28,919
1967	177,259	12,105	49,328	71,196	1,164	3,682	916	6,397	4,342	136	242	9,638	18,113
United States:													
1962	78,677	1,781	34,025	26,053	8,141	---	---	2,919	213	---	---	---	1/5,545
1963	132,423	2,411	37,934	60,407	12,728	3,889	142	4,283	115	---	---	---	1/10,514
1964	103,878	1,961	36,554	32,868	14,172	358	216	3,593	1,055	---	---	329	1/12,772
1965	104,324	3,081	38,098	34,987	5,655	368	365	3,327	133	---	139	57	18,114
1966	132,457	3,019	40,402	60,477	906	503	165	4,800	12	---	65	40	22,068
1967	125,841	1,826	46,484	57,616	1,050	3,586	334	5,453	2,203	1	183	24	7,081

1/ May include some nonagricultural commodities.

CHANGES IN JAPAN'S AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS, BY ORIGIN

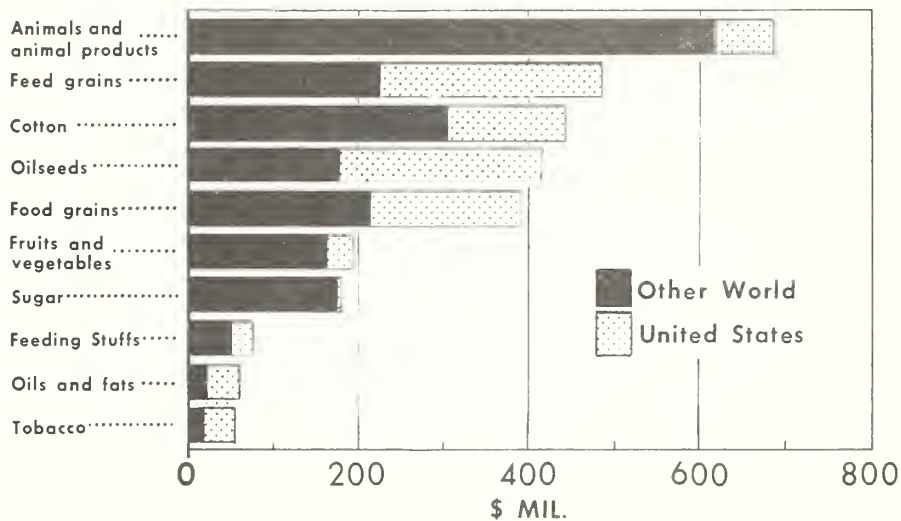


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Figure 2

JAPAN'S AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS AND U.S. SHARE, 1967



SOURCE: UNITED NATIONS.

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Figure 3

Table 9.--Japan's agricultural imports by principal country of origin,
calendar years 1966 and 1967

Origin	1966	1967	Percentage change
	-- 1,000 dollars --		Percent
United States	1,078,831	1,027,991	-4.7
Australia	453,651	452,364	-0.3
Canada	176,876	193,316	+9.3
China, Mainland	188,121	171,475	-8.8
Thailand	127,926	133,202	+4.1
Mexico	142,137	116,055	-18.3
South Africa	46,085	111,386	+141.7
China, Taiwan	119,808	99,555	-16.9
New Zealand	95,705	91,268	-4.6
Other	814,710	899,572	+10.4
Total	3,243,850	3,296,184	+1.6

The principal commodities imported by Taiwan in 1967 were oilseeds, cotton, animals and animal products, and grains. Oilseeds, totaling \$46 million, were 25 percent of total agricultural imports, followed closely by cotton, valued at \$45 million. Imports of oilseeds by Taiwan have increased substantially during 1962-67, rising from \$7 million in 1962 to the present level. Cotton imports during that period have fluctuated considerably, though in an upward trend. While the textile industry has continued to expand in Taiwan, the growth of cotton imports has maintained a relationship to the textile growth. Food grains -- 1967 value \$23 million -- account for more than two-thirds of the total grain imports. Tobacco imports, which from 1962 through 1966 were at a relatively low level, increased substantially in 1967, reaching a high of \$11 million.

In 1967, the U.S. share of imports by Taiwan was 94 percent for oilseeds, 92 percent for tobacco, 86 percent for food grains, and 82 percent for cotton. The U.S. share of feed grains, however, was quite low, amounting to \$477,000 or 4 percent. Imports of animals and animal products from the United States totaled \$1.3 million or 8 percent.

U.S. Agricultural Imports of the Republic of South Korea.--In 1967, agricultural imports of South Korea totaled \$177 million, 12 percent above the total for 1966, and 33 percent above the average for 1962-64. The 1967 figure represents the second highest level reached in 6 years. Food grains in 1967 totaled \$71 million, 40 percent of total agricultural imports. Imports of cotton -- value \$49 million -- ranked second. Imports of both commodities have increased substantially since 1962. However, food grain imports have fluctuated and reached a high in 1963, when they totaled \$84 million. Cotton imports have generally trended upward, from \$34 million in 1962 to \$49 million in 1967.

The United States is the principal supplier of agricultural products for the Republic of Korea. In 1967, the United States supplied \$126 million or 71 percent of South Korea's agricultural imports. Two of the major import products of South Korea are food grains and cotton. However, the U.S. share of these commodities has trended downward since 1962 although the totals have increased. Imports of food grains and cotton by South Korea were totally from the United States in 1962. The U.S. shares in 1967 were 81 percent and 94 percent, respectively.

In comparison with food grains and cotton, other agricultural imports of South Korea are relatively small. Nevertheless, in 1967 the United States supplied South Koreans with 90 percent of their feed grains, 97 percent of their feeding stuffs, 85 percent of their oils and fats, 51 percent of their oilseeds, and three-fourths of their coffee, cocoa, and tea.

Exports of Australia and New Zealand

Australia.--Agricultural exports from Australia in 1967 amounted to \$2,249 million. This was 24 percent above the 1962 figure and the second highest level in 6 years (table 10). Animals and animal products, Australia's largest export commodity, totaled \$1,336 million. Food and feed grain exports at \$565 million ranked second. Other export items of importance were fruits and vegetables and sugar. Each of these commodity groups amounted to nearly \$120 million.

Australian exports of animal products to the United States in 1967 reached \$244 million, the highest total during 1962-67. In terms of total exports of animals and animal products, this was the largest share of exports from Australia. In comparison, shipments to the United Kingdom totaled \$188 million and to other Western European countries, \$518 million.

Food grain exports from Australia, notably wheat, were valued at \$517 million. As a wheat exporter, Australia competes with the United States in many of the major commercial markets. For example, in 1967 Japan received wheat exports from Australia totaling \$32 million, compared with \$159 million from the United States. Australia also exports wheat to Western European countries; in 1967, these shipments to the United Kingdom totaled \$19 million.

Sugar was the only commodity besides the category of animals and animals products to show any significant share in Australian exports to the United States. The U.S. share of Australian sugar exports increased somewhat during 1962-67 and reached a high of \$25 million in 1967. This was about 21 percent of Australia's total sugar exports. However, sugar imports of the United States are subject to import quotas. In terms of total agricultural exports from Australia, the United States received about 12 percent.

New Zealand.--Agricultural exports from New Zealand in 1967 totaled \$886 million, 10 percent below those of 1966. Principal commodities exported were animals and animal products, with smaller shipments of fruits and vegetables and oils and fats.

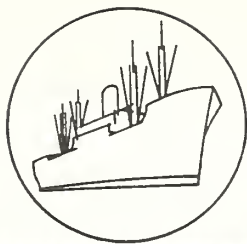
Animals and animal products accounted for practically all of the shipments in 1967 -- with the United States receiving about 15 percent. The U.S. share represented a decline of about 2 percent from 1966. Other important markets for New Zealand exports of animals and animal products included the United Kingdom, Japan, and France.

Among the other commodities exported from New Zealand, shares moving to the United States were relatively insignificant. Although fruit and vegetable exports accounted for \$15 million of New Zealand's agricultural exports in 1967, only about 2 percent -- value \$299,000 -- were shipped to the United States. The \$10 million in exports of oils and fats from New Zealand were all exported to countries other than the United States.

Table 10.--Value of total agricultural exports of Australia and New Zealand and the value of exports to the United States, calendar years 1962-67

Exporting country, destination and year:	Total	Animals and animal products:	Cotton	Grains	Food	Feed	Feeding: stuffs and tables:	Fruits and vegetables:	Oils and fats:	Oilseeds:	Tobacco	Coffee, cocoa, and tea:	Sugar	Other
Australia:														
World:														
1962 1/	1,817,643	1,233,725	---	253,681	38,007	8,618	94,150	17,233	301	1,195	96,609	1/74,001		
1963	2,136,389	1,400,226	---	334,504	29,524	10,406	95,014	15,316	176	1,297	168,997	80,531		
1964	2,278,742	1,490,772	---	368,154	37,718	8,944	107,940	16,809	176	1,449	152,327	93,951		
1965	2,104,961	1,360,233	---	386,074	35,119	5,673	110,641	19,111	281	1,863	101,634	84,018		
1966	2,094,353	1,447,405	---	275,231	31,980	5,833	119,850	17,555	655	4,725	110,200	80,747		
1967	2,248,944	1,336,004	123	516,618	48,805	7,536	117,599	14,764	135	541	119,677	85,941		
United States:														
1962 1/	224,018	206,334	---	---	198	---	1,359	138	158	---	11,674	1/4,157		
1963	251,788	221,306	---	---	---	100	620	211	---	---	24,306	5,245		
1964	211,877	185,102	---	---	---	---	498	303	---	---	21,543	4,431		
1965	221,128	190,563	---	---	18	37	658	394	2	54	22,875	6,527		
1966	275,086	243,692	---	56	---	73	863	209	2	23	23,797	6,371		
1967	276,148	244,129	---	---	719	3	1,063	171	11	1	25,298	4,737		
New Zealand:														
World:														
1962 1/	760,384	719,697	---	---	---	1,230	11,987	8,040	---	---	1,505	1/17,925		
1963	812,415	774,405	---	---	---	1,415	10,276	7,062	---	---	1,578	1/17,679		
1964	1,017,787	964,772	---	---	---	1,658	15,092	9,906	---	---	1,613	24,746		
1965	922,326	862,649	---	2	5	2,042	14,492	10,483	173	45	1,806	30,629		
1966	988,013	924,232	---	2	3	1,490	16,217	10,271	---	27	1,914	33,786		
1967	886,284	820,992	---	1	3	2,694	15,432	9,619	---	36	2,132	35,318		
United States:														
1962 1/	127,230	124,784	---	---	---	---	125	---	---	---	---	1/2,321		
1963	144,632	142,770	---	---	---	---	177	---	---	---	---	1,685		
1964	138,164	133,365	---	---	---	---	372	---	---	---	---	4,427		
1965	116,858	109,378	---	---	---	31	235	7	---	---	2	7,205		
1966	160,737	152,889	---	---	---	51	256	---	---	---	2	7,539		
1967	137,555	124,236	---	---	---	22	229	---	---	---	2	13,066		

1/ May include some nonagricultural commodities.



Export Highlights

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS: JULY-SEPTEMBER 1968

During the first quarter of fiscal 1969 (year ending June 30), U.S. agricultural exports totaled \$1,425 million, about the same as a year earlier (table 11). Declines resulted mainly from a substantial decrease in the export value of grains and preparations, especially wheat and flour. Exports of oilseeds and products were up slightly, due principally to a rise in shipments of soybeans and protein meal. Exports of animals and animal products, cotton, tobacco, and vegetables and preparations increased.

Although exports during July-August 1968 were up slightly from those of July-August 1967, exports during September 1968 were down from those of a year earlier. Exports of wheat and flour during September 1968 were down substantially from those of September 1967, falling 57 percent to \$53 million. However, September exports of feed grains and soybeans increased.

Exports of animals and animal products during the first quarter of 1968/69 totaled \$172 million, 14 percent above those of July-September 1967. Pacing the increased export value of animals and animal products was a sharp increase in dairy product exports, which rose 46 percent to \$38 million. In addition, meats and meat products and hides and skins increased substantially above the first quarter level in 1968/69. Larger shipments of anhydrous milkfat and nonfat dry milk accounted for much of the increase in dairy product exports. Among the meats and meat product exports, shipments of pork were three times the value in July-September 1967.

The value of cotton exports in July-September 1968 totaled \$98 million, 15 percent higher than in the first quarter of the past fiscal year. Most of the increase took place during July and August due to heavy buying of cotton during the early months of 1968 for later delivery. July and August exports were higher than usual since these months are usually the seasonal low period for cotton exports. Cotton exports during July-August (latest data available) moved primarily to Japan, South Korea, and the Philippines. Exports to these countries were 31 percent higher than during July-August 1968 and accounted for 46 percent of total cotton exports.

Exports of grains and preparations during July-September 1968 totaled \$547 million, 15 percent below a year earlier. Most of this decline resulted from a sharp reduction in exports of wheat and flour, which fell 35 percent to \$222 million from \$341 million in July-September 1967. All of the decline occurred in exports of wheat grain. Wheat flour increased 43 percent to \$20 million during the first quarter of 1968/69. Exports of feed grains were up 4 percent to \$241 million. Corn shipments continued to surpass those of the previous year with the first quarter total value reaching \$187 million, 26 percent higher than the first quarter exports of 1967/68. A sharp reduction in the export value of sorghums, barley, and oats partly offset the increased export value of corn. Lower prices for feed grains also contributed to the decline and the export value of feed grains. The quantity of corn exported was about 42 percent higher in July-September 1968 than in the same months of 1967. Shipments of rice during July-September 1968 totaled \$63 million, 26 percent higher than the corresponding months of last year.

Table 11.--U.S. agricultural exports: Value by commodity,
July-September 1967 and 1968

Commodity	July-September		Change
	1967	1968 <u>1/</u>	
	-- <u>Million dollars</u> --		<u>Percent</u>
Animals and animal products:			
Dairy products	26	38	+46
Fats, oils, and greases	41	37	-10
Hides and skins	26	31	+19
Meats and meat products	25	32	+28
Poultry products	15	15	---
Other	18	19	+6
Total animals and products	151	172	+14
Cotton, excluding linters	85	98	+15
Fruits and preparations	82	81	0
Grains and preparations:			
Feed grains, excluding products ...	232	241	+4
Rice, milled	50	63	+26
Wheat and flour	341	222	-35
Other	21	21	0
Total grains and preparations ...	644	547	-15
Oilseeds and products:			
Cottonseed and soybean oils	35	24	-33
Soybeans	126	134	+6
Protein meal	55	59	+7
Other	18	23	+28
Total oilseeds and products	235	240	+2
Tobacco, unmanufactured	120	154	+28
Vegetables and preparations	34	36	+6
Other	78	97	+24
Total exports	1,429	1,425	0

1/ Preliminary.

U.S. exports of oilseeds and products totaled \$240 million in July-September 1968. This was 2 percent above July-September 1967. The value of soybean exports, accounting for more than half the total value of oilseeds and products, was up 6 percent from \$126 million in July-September 1967. Quantity was up 11 percent. The smaller increase in value occurred due to the lower export price for the July-September 1968 period, compared with the export price of July-September 1967. Exports of cottonseed and soybean oil were down sharply, falling 33 percent to \$24 million. Protein meal exports were up in quantity and value even though the price was lower during the first quarter of the current fiscal year. For July-September 1968, protein meal exports totaled \$59 million, 7 percent higher than the corresponding quarter last year.

Tobacco exports during the first quarter of 1968/69 totaled \$154 million, up 28 percent from July-September 1967. A substantial increase in exports of flue-cured and burley tobaccos accounted for most of the change. Exports to West Germany, which in the early part of 1968 were below the year-earlier levels, increased substantially during July-September 1968, compared with purchases during the previous fiscal year's first quarter.

Fruit and vegetable exports totaled \$117 million in July-September 1968, 1 percent above a year earlier. This increase took place because of higher exports of vegetables and preparations, which rose 6 percent to \$36 million in July-September 1968. The increase occurred mainly in exports of fresh vegetables with tomatoes rising to \$4.4 million, from \$2.1 million in July-September 1967. Exports of dried beans and dried peas were slightly above the year-earlier levels. Among the preparations, dehydrated soups and vegetables were up about one-third. Increased fruit exports included canned peaches and cocktail.

U.S. Agricultural Exports to the EEC: July-September 1968

U.S. agricultural exports to the European Economic Community (EEC) totaled \$334 million during the first quarter of 1968/69, 9 percent higher than exports during the first quarter of 1967/68 (table 12).

U.S. exports of commodities subject to the EEC's variable import levies totaled \$144 million during the first quarter of 1968/69, 11 percent higher than those of the first quarter of 1967/68. This substantial increase resulted from larger exports of feed grains and wheat to the EEC countries. Feed grain exports totaled \$97 million in 1968/69, compared with \$89 million in 1967/68. However, this was 19 percent below the value of feed grain exports for July-September 1966/67. Wheat exports showed considerable improvement over exports during first quarter 1967/68. The improved grain export situation in 1968/69 reflects the somewhat lower production of feed grains and wheat in the EEC in the crop year harvested for 1968, which resulted in increased demand from the export channels. In addition, exports of feed grains from world competitors of the United States, such as Argentina, were down from the previous year. In terms of quantity, feed grain exports to the EEC were substantially higher than during July-September 1968, but lower prices lessened the gain in total value.

Other variable-levy commodities, such as wheat flour and beef and veal, also increased, compared with the July-September 1967 total. Exports of poultry and eggs totaled \$3 million in July-September 1968, 35 percent below those of the corresponding first quarter of last year. A continued expansion of the European poultry industry has reduced the demand for U.S. exports of poultry and poultry products.

Among the non-variable-levy commodities (agricultural products not subject to the EEC's variable import levies), hides and skins, oil cake and meal, tobacco, and vegetable oils increased. These increases more than offset declines in cotton, fruits and vegetables, soybeans, tallow, and variety meats, raising first quarter exports 16 percent over the year-earlier level.

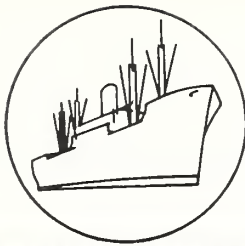
Table 12.--U.S. agricultural exports to the European Economic Community: Value by commodity, September and July-September 1966-69

Commodity	September			July-September		
	1966	1967	1968	1966/67	1967/68	1968/69
-- 1,000 dollars --						
<u>Variable-levy commodities 1/</u>						
Feed grains	43,548	39,993	30,174	119,414	89,005	97,055
Rice	180	808	2,760	2,281	5,468	6,313
Rye grain	1,082	355	295	1,636	784	690
Wheat grain	12,972	5,801	4,426	28,242	22,111	25,751
Wheat flour	131	195	176	345	241	381
Beef and veal (excluding variety meats) and cattle	55	37	26	226	177	203
Dairy products	104	89	94	379	206	234
Lard 2/	20	50	18	274	93	41
Pork (excluding variety meats) and swine	9	2	24	125	67	62
Poultry and eggs:						
Live poultry	127	110	66	340	461	582
Broilers and fryers	410	12	18	1,603	52	62
Stewing chickens	13	137	136	98	467	321
Turkeys	1,775	1,718	918	3,753	3,850	1,959
Other fresh poultry	15	0	23	28	30	53
Eggs	70	44	44	195	237	319
Total poultry and eggs	2,410	2,021	1,205	6,017	5,097	3,296
Other	2,944	1,737	2,884	8,026	6,688	9,851
Total	63,455	51,088	42,082	166,965	129,937	143,877
<u>Non-variable-levy commodities</u>						
Canned poultry 3/	109	33	21	366	330	85
Cotton, excluding linters	8,481	5,588	3,088	17,830	11,885	8,807
Fruits and vegs. (excl. canned fruit) ..	6,359	4,287	4,446	16,161	16,862	13,876
Canned fruits 4/	6,835	2,871	2,258	12,049	5,552	5,034
Hides and skins	2,262	1,250	2,109	7,339	3,756	6,293
Oil cake and meal	15,585	11,442	10,464	34,567	36,114	36,221
Soybeans	2,371	11,330	7,833	25,900	39,432	34,341
Tallow 3/	2,768	1,389	1,427	8,993	5,873	5,350
Tobacco, unmanufactured	12,327	8,756	11,706	50,823	30,764	47,646
Variety meats, fresh, frozen 3/	3,627	2,721	3,189	10,153	8,509	7,418
Vegetable oils, expressed	130	225	1,210	3,884	1,104	3,635
Food for relief or charity	144	0	1	2,374	0	148
Other	9,311	4,878	7,511	24,466	16,918	21,492
Total	70,309	54,770	55,263	214,905	177,099	190,346
Total EEC	133,764	105,858	97,345	381,870	307,036	334,223

1/ Grains, poultry, and pork were subject to variable levies beginning on July 30, 1962; rice, on September 1, 1964; and beef and dairy products, on November 1, 1964. The variable-levy classification is designed to show overall changes in exports rather than to measure the impact of the variable levies. 2/ Lard for food is a variable-levy commodity, while lard for industrial use is bound in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) at 3 percent ad valorem. U.S. lard is for food use. 3/ Although canned poultry, tallow, and variety meats are subject to variable levies, the import duties are bound in GATT. 4/ Variable-levy on sugar content only.

Compiled from U.S. Bureau of the Census data.

Soybean exports to the EEC, which during the latter part of 1967/68 were below those of 1966/67, showed improvement in the first quarter of 1968/69. The increased demand for feed ingredients resulted in an advance in the value of soybean exports despite lower prices. The average export price for soybeans during the first quarter of 1968/69 was \$2.77, compared with \$2.92 in the first quarter of 1967/68. Improved prices were a factor in the rising value of hide and skin exports during the first quarter of 1968/69. Exports of unmanufactured tobacco totaled \$48 million in July-September 1968, up 55 percent from the corresponding period of last year. This substantial increase resulted primarily from the larger takings by West Germany. U.S. exports of variety meats to the EEC totaled \$7.4 million in July-September 1968, the lowest level for the first quarter of the last 4 fiscal years. Increased hog slaughter during 1968 in the EEC countries contributed to the lower demand from the export market.



Import Highlights

U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS: JULY-SEPTEMBER 1968

In the first 3 months of fiscal year 1969 (year ending June 30), U.S. imports of agricultural products totaled \$1,344 million, compared with \$1,064 million during the same period in 1967/68. Imports of competitive (supplementary) commodities in July-September rose to \$800 million from \$666 million in the same 3 months last year; non-competitive (complementary) imports increased to \$544 million from \$398 million (table 13).

Increases in imports were recorded for most individual commodities with notable gains in cattle, beef, pork, hides and skins, apparel wools, certain dairy products, fruits, edible nuts, vegetable oils, cane sugar, and wines. Among complementary imports, rapid rises were evident for bananas, coffee, cocoa, rubber, tea, carpet wools, crude drugs, and essential oils.

Heavier than usual imports during July-September partly reflected hedge buying of many storable commodities by importers in anticipation of expiring longshoremen's union contracts at East Coast and Gulf ports. Temporary restraining orders were issued by a Federal court in early October after a 2-day strike; an injunction under the Taft-Hartley Law is expected to either delay the strike until December 20 or resolve differences between companies and labor groups.

Another unusual factor contributing to expanded imports during the period had to do with cheeses. U.S. imports of several types of cheeses in July-September were substantially above a year ago, apparently because of anticipated quota controls by importers and foreign suppliers. These cheese imports included processed Edam and Gouda, Emmenthaler or Swiss with eye formation, Gruyere process, and cow's milk cheeses in the unspecified "other cheese" categories (Tariff Schedules of the United States, codes 117.75 and 117.85). On September 24, 1968, the President established emergency import quotas for the above named cheeses under provisions of Section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. 1/

With the exception of across-the-board limitations on processed Edam and Gouda cheese, quotas affect only cheeses priced under 47 cents per pound, f.o.b. country of origin; cheeses priced above 47 cents are not restricted.

The quotas will remain in effect until the Tariff Commission reports, and the President acts upon the report, on its current investigation of the effect on the Department's price support program for milk on the imports of these cheeses and several other items not considered in the emergency action.

1/ Federal Register, September 26, 1968.

Table 13.--U.S. agricultural imports for consumption: Value by commodity,
July-September 1967 and 1968

Commodity or commodity group	July-September		Change
	1967	1968 <u>1/</u>	
	<u>Million dollars</u>		<u>Percent</u>
<u>Supplementary</u>			
Animals and animal products:			
Cattle, dutiable	9	11	+22
Dairy products	21	33	+57
Hides and skins, excluding fur	13	18	+38
Meat and meat products, excluding poultry	183	224	+22
Wool, apparel	23	24	+4
Other animals and animal products	17	23	+35
Total animals and products	266	333	+25
Cotton, raw, excluding linters	12	10	-17
Fruits and preparations	28	37	+32
Grains and preparations	11	12	+9
Nuts, edible, and preparations	20	33	+65
Oilseeds and products:			
Coconut oil	8	14	+75
Copra	12	13	+8
Olive oil	4	5	+25
Other oilseeds and products	16	23	+44
Sugar and molasses:			
Sugar, cane	176	189	+7
Molasses, inedible	10	10	0
Tobacco, unmanufactured	34	34	0
Vegetables and preparations	20	22	+10
Wines and malt beverages:			
Wines	18	30	+67
Malt beverages	6	9	+50
Other supplementary vegetable products	25	26	+4
Total supplementary products	666	800	+20
<u>Complementary</u>			
Bananas, fresh	37	43	+16
Cocoa beans	18	27	+50
Coffee, green	235	325	+38
Drugs, crude	7	12	+71
Essential oils	9	12	+33
Fibers, unmanufactured	4	5	+25
Rubber, crude, excluding allied gums	37	56	+51
Silk, raw	3	4	+33
Tea, crude	13	17	+31
Wool, carpet	10	14	+40
Other complementary products	25	29	+16
Total complementary products	398	544	+37
Total agricultural imports	1,064	1,344	+26

^{1/} Preliminary.

Table 14.--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity,
September and July-September 1967 and 1968

Commodity exported	Unit	September		July-September	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		1967	1968 1/	1967/68	1968/69 1/
		Thousands	dollars	Thousands	dollars
Animals and animal products					
Animals, live					
Cattle	No.	5	2,003	13	5,056
Poultry, live:					
Baby chicks (chickens)	No.	2,462	1,035	6,802	3,239
Other live poultry	---	2/	236	2/	647
Other	---	2/	607	2/	2,202
Total animals, live	---	---	3,881	---	11,144
Dairy products					
Anhydrous milk fat, including donations	Lb.	171	142	459	382
Butter, including donations	Lb.	9	7	61	45
Cheese and curd, including donations	Lb.	521	291	1,615	983
Infants' and dietetic foods (milk base)	Lb.	1,943	957	7,871	3,158
Milk and cream:					
Condensed or evaporated	Lb.	2,357	380	7,172	1,125
Dry, whole milk and cream	Lb.	679	202	2,202	566
Fresh	Gal.	124	163	310	417
Nonfat dry, including donations	Lb.	45,740	8,027	94,286	18,128
Other	---	2/	500	2/	1,499
Total dairy products	---	---	10,669	---	26,303
Fats, oils, and greases					
Lard and other rendered pig fat	Lb.	13,451	1,242	49,351	4,656
Tallow:					
Edible	Lb.	62	4	442	36
Inedible (including grease)	Lb.	119,149	7,740	507,815	33,674
Other animal fats, oils, and greases	Lb.	13,480	1,107	32,328	2,744
Total fats, oils, and greases	Lb.	146,142	10,093	589,936	41,110
Meat and meat preparations					
Beef and veal (except offals)	Lb.	1,656	1,315	6,816	4,697
Pork (except offals)	Lb.	3,419	1,188	8,380	3,028
Offals, edible (variety meats)	Lb.	16,919	4,413	49,129	12,768
Sausage casings	Lb.	849	536	3,068	1,952
Other (including meat extracts)	Lb.	2,184	979	5,982	2,873
Total meat and preps. (except poultry)	Lb.	25,027	8,431	73,375	25,318
Poultry products					
Eggs, dried and otherwise preserved	Lb.	113	85	346	262
Eggs in the shell, for hatching	Doz.	590	498	1,718	1,581
Eggs in the shell, other	Doz.	552	182	1,274	426
Poultry meat (whole or parts) fresh, chilled or frozen:					
Chickens	Lb.	6,997	1,710	22,408	5,371
Turkeys	Lb.	6,678	2,121	14,341	4,833
Other	Lb.	862	275	2,899	958
Poultry, canned and poultry specialties	Lb.	1,227	436	3,820	1,262
Total poultry products	---	---	5,307	---	15,006

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Table 14.--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity.
September and July-September 1967 and 1968--Continued

Commodity exported	Unit	September		July-September	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		1967	1968 1/2	1967/68	1968/69 1/2
		Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1,000 dollars
Grains and preparations					
Feed grains and products:					
Barley (48 lb.)	Bu.	2,944	3,559	12,880	15,722
Corn, including donations (56 lb.)	Bu.	45,849	60,545	109,831	148,610
Grain sorghums (56 lb.)	Bu.	8,612	10,855	49,389	63,929
Oats (32 lb.)	Bu.	760	559	4,409	3,348
Total feed grains	M.Ton	1,459	75,518	4,389	231,609
Malt and flour (including barley malt)	Lb.	5,410	345	16,915	1,134
Corn grits and hominy	Lb.	3,872	2,595	10,640	7,893
Corn meal, including donations	Cwt.	385	1,578	1,127	1,900
Corn starch	Lb.	5,967	511	22,718	1,723
Oat meal, groats, and rolled oats, etc.	Lb.	2,881	169	12,834	863
Total feed grains and products	M.Ton	1,504	78,281	4,526	240,630
Rice:					
Milled, including donations	Lb.	203,399	16,540	620,168	746,917
Paddy or rough	Lb.	0	0	3,192	1,101
Total rice (milled basis)	Lb.	203,399	16,540	622,243	747,633
Rye (56 lb.)	Bu.	365	470	841	696
Wheat and products, including donations -					
Wheat (60 lb.)	Bu.	68,413	116,126	189,219	120,625
Wheat flour, wholly of U.S. wheat	Cwt.	1,368	5,165	3,614	6,120
Other wheat products	Bu.	660	989	2,184	3,175
Total wheat and wheat products	Bu.	72,192	122,932	200,278	137,753
Bakery products	Lb.	1,821	726	4,117	4,215
Other, including donations	Lb.	2/	911	2/	1,760
Total grains and preparations	---	---	219,860	---	644,247
Oilseeds and products					
Oils, including donations:					
Cottonseed oil	Lb.	3,006	434	10,950	1,590
Soybean oil	Lb.	128,526	15,358	278,738	229,153
Other	Lb.	14,566	2,455	51,317	68,528
Total oils (except essential)	Lb.	146,098	18,247	341,005	43,380
Oilseeds -					
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	104	313	1,800	3,178
Soybeans (60 lb.)	Bu.	10,325	29,309	43,300	48,210
Other	Bu.	2/	2,997	2/	2,554
Total oilseeds	---	---	32,619	---	136,838
Oil cake and meal	S.Ton	196	16,994	629	703
Total oilseeds and products	---	---	67,860	---	235,169
Tobacco, unmanufactured					
Burley	Lb.	3,106	5,576	10,754	15,987
Cigar wrapper	Lb.	463	1,729	956	1,069
Dark-fired Kentucky and Tennessee	Lb.	1,714	777	4,322	8,418
Flue-cured	Lb.	44,888	47,655	98,458	126,890
Maryland	Lb.	1,298	1,104	3,825	6,540
Other	Lb.	7,970	3,076	16,007	22,097
Total tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	59,439	56,990	134,322	181,001

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Table 14.--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity,
September and July-September 1967 and 1968--Continued

Commodity exported	Unit	September			July-September		
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		1967	1968 1/2	1967	1968 1/2	1967/68	1968/69 1/2
		Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1,000 dollars
Vegetables and preparations							
Canned (prepared or preserved):							
Asparagus	Lb.	1,840	1,262	567	371	6,981	7,074
Corn	Lb.	2,708	1,505	514	292	4,032	3,110
Beans	Lb.	1,566	1,721	376	346	4,885	4,152
Tomatoes	Lb.	950	1,811	218	413	2,792	3,863
Tomatoes, tomato sauce, tomato puree, etc.	Lb.	2,872	2,432	443	444	7,695	7,952
Other	Lb.	9,936	8,731	2,118	1,866	26,385	26,151
Total canned vegetables	Lb.	12,674	24,591	970	2,103	68,217	58,006
Dried beans, including donations	Lb.	32,761	34,577	1,954	2,217	59,090	59,738
Dried peas, including cow and chick	Lb.						
Fresh:							
Lettuce	Lb.	7,218	10,913	325	609	17,764	20,367
Onions	Lb.	4,996	5,484	236	216	30,032	24,547
Potatoes (except sweet potatoes)	Lb.	4,403	7,463	147	226	97,610	87,653
Tomatoes	Lb.	4,015	5,981	334	581	17,521	42,176
Other	Lb.	4,498	3,524	470	356	41,787	34,829
Total fresh vegetables	Lb.	25,130	33,365	1,512	1,988	204,714	209,572
Frozen vegetables	Lb.	1,781	2,100	329	414	6,409	6,325
Soups and vegetables, dehydrated	Lb.	2,226	3,719	784	1,152	5,955	8,913
Tomato juice, canned	Gal.	200	79	219	90	417	236
Vegetable seasonings	Lb.	545	1,153	384	581	1,376	3,107
Other	Lb.	2/	2/	1,192	1,296	2/	2/
Total vegetables and preparations		---	---	9,462	11,707	---	---
Other vegetable products							
Coffee	Lb.	1,341	2,101	1,466	2,020	4,021	5,820
Drugs, herbs, roots, etc.	Lb.	957	1,286	848	856	2,200	2,668
Essential oils and resins	Lb.	848	955	2,273	2,812	2,935	2,902
Feeds and fodders (except oil cake meal)	Lb.	2/	2/	6,409	9,698	2/	2/
Flavoring sirups, sugars, and extracts	Lb.	305	294	2,957	4,468	2/	2/
Hops	Lb.	2/	2/	266	170	1,095	1,106
Nuts and preparations	Lb.	13,812	8,018	631	521	2/	2/
Seeds, except oilseeds	Lb.	3,084	3,272	1,223	1,581	43,516	26,715
Spices	Lb.	611	610	475	431	10,292	10,587
Other, including donations	Lb.	2/	2/	6,145	6,912	1,574	2,001
Total other vegetable products		---	---	26,131	32,817	---	---
Total vegetable products		---	---	439,446	409,464	---	---
Total agricultural exports		---	---	488,933	469,728	---	---
Total nonagricultural exports		---	---	2,026,067	2,481,141	---	---
Total exports, all commodities		---	---	2,515,000	2,950,869	---	---

1/ Preliminary.
2/ Reported in value only.
3/ Excludes the number of "other hides and skins," reported in value only.

Table 15.--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity, September and July-September 1967 and 1968

Commodity imported Supplementary	Unit	September			July-September		
		Quantity		Value	Quantity		Value
		1967	1968 1/2	1967	1967/68	1968/69 1/2	1967/68 : 1968/69 1/2
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	Thousands	dollars
<u>Animals and animal products</u>							
<u>Animals, live</u>							
Cattle (durable)	No.	34	29	3,877	3,730	81	97
Cattle for breeding (free)	No.	1	1	212	537	3	4
Horses	No.	2/	2/	908	1,106	2/	2/
Other (including live poultry)	---	3/	3/	283	318	3/	3/
Total animals, live	---	---	---	5,280	5,691	---	---
<u>Dairy products</u>							
Blue-mold cheese	Lb.	504	505	269	282	1,093	1,411
Cheddar	Lb.	100	426	54	165	206	1,493
Colby	Lb.	205	439	63	141	6,539	1,270
Edam and Gouda	Lb.	1,181	3,757	573	1,040	2,602	11,236
Pecorino	Lb.	1,056	1,365	696	838	3,112	3,798
Swiss	Lb.	2,335	10,105	1,197	3,480	6,205	28,840
Other	Lb.	2,183	5,600	1,185	2,430	7,075	18,528
Total cheese	Lb.	7,564	22,197	4,037	8,176	26,832	66,576
Butter	Lb.	87	39	43	26	200	121
Casein or lactarene	Lb.	8,047	13,255	2,007	2,799	26,252	39,879
Other	---	3/	3/	32	514	3/	3/
Total dairy products	---	---	---	6,119	11,515	---	---
<u>Hides and skins (except furs)</u>							
Calf skins	Lb.	346	292	130	173	776	912
Cattle hides	Lb.	1,187	1,934	149	239	2,985	6,906
Goat and kid skins	Lb.	761	484	659	384	2,387	1,392
Sheep and lamb skins	Lb.	4,328	5,586	2,553	4,314	12,980	18,400
Other	Lb.	987	1,824	615	894	4,566	6,234
Total hides and skins	Lb.	7,609	10,120	4,106	6,004	23,694	33,844
<u>Meat and meat preparations</u>							
Beef and veal:							
Fresh, chilled, or frozen	Lb.	84,356	110,507	34,328	48,191	258,356	295,583
Other	Lb.	18,327	19,669	7,763	10,008	42,769	52,380
Total beef and veal	Lb.	102,683	130,176	42,091	58,199	301,125	347,963
Mutton, goat, and lamb	Lb.	6,888	7,393	1,954	2,256	15,267	20,486
Pork							
Fresh, chilled, or frozen	Lb.	3,535	3,215	1,376	1,493	12,030	10,680
Hams and shoulders, canned, cooked, etc.	Lb.	13,860	22,069	10,162	16,613	47,770	57,820
Other	Lb.	3,740	4,370	2,160	2,332	11,347	12,128
Total pork	Lb.	21,135	29,654	13,698	20,438	71,147	80,628
Sausage casings	---	3/	3/	1,678	2,138	3/	3/
Other (including meat extracts)	Lb.	3,077	4,229	1,312	1,746	10,491	12,060
Total meat and preps. (except poultry)	---	---	---	60,733	84,777	---	---
<u>Poultry products</u>							
Eggs, dried and otherwise preserved	Lb.	101	151	55	90	106	204
Eggs in the shell	Doz.	92	54	152	53	324	183
Poultry meat	Lb.	16	39	42	123	80	119
Total poultry products	---	---	---	249	266	---	---

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Table 15.—U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity.
September and July-September 1967 and 1968 —Continued

Commodity imported Supplementary	Unit	September			July-September			
		Quantity		Value	Quantity		Value	
		1967	1968 1/2	1967	1967/68	1968/69 1/2	1967/68	1968/69 1/2
		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Other animal products								
Bones, hoofs, and horns	---	3/	3/	253	414	3/	972	1,000
Bristles, crude or prepared	Lb.	240	292	454	780	538	873	1,774
Fats, oils, and greases	Lb.	1,069	1,490	60	117	3,998	3,898	228
Feathers and down, crude and sorted	Lb.	414	581	553	680	1,196	1,937	1,769
Gelatin, edible	Lb.	617	1,153	324	606	2,269	3,091	1,379
Hair, unmanufactured	Lb.	438	844	489	613	1,380	2,095	1,536
Honey	Lb.	1,438	1,310	143	171	4,448	4,116	429
Wool, unmanufactured (except free in bond)	G.Lb.	15,548	12,451	10,189	7,354	36,647	42,382	23,881
Other	---	3/	3/	2,008	2,569	3/	5,948	6,655
Total other animal products	---	---	---	14,473	13,304	---	36,584	40,260
Total animals and animal products								
	---	---	---	90,960	121,557	---	266,463	332,923
Vegetable Products								
Cotton, unmanufactured (480 lb.)								
Cotton	Bale	52	44	7,994	5,743	76	66	12,275
Linters	Bale	10	6	305	176	38	33	1,332
Total cotton and linters	Bale	62	50	8,299	5,919	114	99	13,607
Fruits and preparations								
Apples, fresh								
Strawberries	Lb.	809	1,502	22	97	2,317	3,740	115
Other berries	Lb.	4,132	2,679	603	295	15,210	13,629	2,375
Cherries	Lb.	10,186	4,160	1,304	900	17,436	10,700	2,657
Dates	Lb.	1,460	2,680	465	802	6,486	8,461	1,885
Figs	Lb.	514	434	49	32	1,618	772	58
Grapes	Lb.	383	412	27	79	2,129	2,391	156
Melons	Lb.	100	0	7	0	789	1,913	70
Olives in brine	Lb.	139	1,201	6	68	548	1,781	23
Oranges, mandarin, canned	Gal.	775	1,988	1,904	4,173	2,719	4,991	6,880
Oranges, other	Lb.	5,946	6,605	1,147	1,258	17,591	19,883	3,366
Pineapples, canned, prepared or preserved	Lb.	204	2,862	15	174	712	6,011	46
Pineapple juice	Lb.	17,371	20,576	1,896	2,187	53,703	70,918	6,017
Other	Gal.	1,030	474	208	104	1,520	1,158	355
Total fruits and preparations	---	3/	3/	1,674	2,698	3/	4,139	5,896
	---	---	---	9,327	12,867	---	28,245	37,191
Grains and preparations								
Barley grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	191	414	354	475	1,744	933	2,413
Barley malt	Cwt.	37	27	211	137	107	102	561
Corn grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	139	2	220	11	177	198	295
Oats grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	208	108	172	91	411	304	365
Rice	Lb.	104	58	202	33	155	129	212
Rye grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	45	44	56	53	87	293	107
Wheat grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	16	19	36	65	37	75	245
Wheat flour	Cwt.	0	8	0	33	0	19	0
Biscuits, cakes, wafers, etc.	Lb.	4,890	7,270	1,921	2,816	12,779	17,772	4,750
Bread, yeast-leavened	Lb.	1,727	2,065	230	299	5,046	5,508	703
Other	---	3/	3/	442	594	3/	1,438	1,462
Total grains and preparations	---	---	---	3,844	4,607	---	10,921	11,858

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Table 15.--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity, September and July-September 1967 and 1968 --Continued

Commodity Imported Supplementary	Unit	September			July-September		
		Quantity 1967	Value 1967	Quantity 1968 1/	Value 1968 1/	Quantity 1967/68	Value 1967/68
		Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1,000 dollars
Nuts and preparations							
Almonds	Lb.	65	22	81	49	88	32
Brazil nuts	Lb.	4,119	1,152	9,301	1,896	12,948	23,594
Cashew nuts	Lb.	4,286	2,106	10,758	6,043	19,422	28,600
Coccolut meat, fresh, prepared or preserved	Lb.	8,997	1,108	17,320	3,155	23,781	53,310
Pistachio nuts	Lb.	1,221	736	26	14	4,158	378
Other	---	3/	571	3/	477	3/	1,445
Total nuts and preparations	---	---	5,695	---	11,634	---	20,099
Oils, crude or refined							
Cocoa butter	Lb.	1,914	1,046	2,897	1,762	4,556	7,197
Carnauba wax	Lb.	759	224	1,075	335	1,983	3,397
Caster oil	Lb.	8,827	1,185	16,936	2,299	24,087	3,224
Coccolut oil	Lb.	30,856	3,492	30,662	4,484	73,427	8,223
Olive oil, edible	Lb.	3,734	1,233	5,076	1,649	10,942	3,580
Palm oil	Lb.	9,763	974	18,807	1,347	27,590	974
Palm kernel oil	Lb.	11,049	1,330	14,378	2,442	23,919	2,926
Tung oil	Lb.	772	77	1,543	133	2,104	224
Other	Lb.	1,684	340	8,938	1,187	17,014	2,469
Total oils (except essential)	Lb.	69,358	9,901	100,312	15,638	167,795	24,728
Oilseeds:							
Copra	Lb.	38,822	3,020	29,142	2,328	163,480	12,492
Sesame seed	Lb.	2,530	395	2,730	417	7,881	1,258
Other	Lb.	3/	176	3/	113	3/	460
Total oilseeds	---	---	3,591	---	2,858	---	14,249
Oil cake and meal	Lb.	8,444	279	5,006	147	23,286	754
Total oilseeds and products	---	---	13,771	---	18,643	---	39,731
Sugar and related products							
Sugar, cane or beet	S. Ton	447	56,147	427	55,811	1,400	176,280
Molasses unfit for human consumption	Gal.	11,200	1,529	26,175	2,643	83,518	9,577
Other	---	3/	849	3/	685	3/	2,866
Total sugar and related products	---	---	58,525	---	59,139	---	188,723
Vegetables and preparations							
Fresh, chilled, or frozen:							
Cucumbers	Lb.	164	8	6	1	1,786	96
Garlic	Lb.	544	197	1,497	373	2,576	498
Onions	Lb.	611	77	149	15	3,238	437
Potatoes, white or Irish	Cwt.	1	3	5	14	52	117
Tomatoes	Lb.	465	68	1,199	100	9,468	990
Turnips or rutabagas	Cwt.	83	205	96	259	130	288
Prepared or preserved:							
Cassava, flour and starch, and tapioca	Lb.	17,506	633	17,240	630	66,105	2,365
Mushrooms	Lb.	745	406	1,387	742	4,667	2,568
Pickled vegetables	Lb.	1,715	263	1,936	391	3,966	722
Tomatoes, tomato paste and sauce	Lb.	19,646	2,308	14,174	1,479	37,974	4,424
Other	---	3/	2,513	3/	4,627	3/	7,873
Total vegetables and preparations	---	---	6,681	---	8,631	---	20,378
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Table 15.--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity,
September and July-September 1967 and 1968 --Continued

Commodity imported Supplementary	Unit	September			July-September		
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
		1967	1968 1/	1967	1968 1/	1967/68	1968/69 1/
		Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1,000 dollars	Thousands	1,000 dollars
Other vegetable products							
Feeds and fodders (except oil cake meal)....	---	3/	1,174	2/	1,254	2/	3,628
Hops	Lb.	32	20	0	0	34	22
Jute and jute butts, unmanufactured	L.Ton:	1	198	1	117	4	668
Malt liquors (ale, porter, stout, beer)	Gal.	1,621	1,776	2,803	3,055	5,688	6,214
Nursery and greenhouse stock	---	3/	4,222	3/	6,547	3/	7,947
Seeds, except oilseeds	---	2/	786	2/	1,028	2/	2,375
Spices	Lb.	7,318	713	5,598	690	15,721	1,770
Tobacco, unmanufactured	Lb.	16,876	11,193	18,138	10,976	51,802	33,945
Wines	Gal.	1,265	5,815	2,424	11,414	3,908	17,962
Other	---	3/	866	3/	1,316	3/	3,474
Total other vegetable products	---	---	26,763	---	36,397	---	78,005
Total vegetable products	---	---	132,905	---	157,837	---	399,709
Total supplementary imports	---	---	223,865	---	279,394	---	666,172
Complementary							
Bananas, fresh	Lb.	256,741	11,694	298,325	14,105	821,038	37,355
Coffee, green	Lb.	211,459	71,848	307,139	103,054	683,241	235,423
Coffee, roasted or ground	Lb.	326	105	1,764	625	1,433	508
Coffee extracts, essences, concentrates	Lb.	1,735	1,913	1,382	1,472	5,932	6,519
Cocoa beans	Lb.	19,964	4,693	28,909	7,452	77,338	18,310
Cocoa and chocolate	Lb.	14,683	2,524	20,593	4,240	34,720	5,691
Drugs, herbs, roots, etc.	---	3/	2,683	3/	4,254	3/	7,247
Essential or distilled oils	---	3/	2,658	3/	4,265	3/	8,705
Fibers, unmanufactured	L.Ton:	7	1,246	10	1,712	25	4,462
Rubber, crude (natural)	Lb.	75,162	12,509	141,804	22,986	224,900	36,662
Silk, raw	Lb.	130	993	235	2,212	381	2,855
Spices	Lb.	8,589	2,893	13,107	5,085	26,054	8,819
Tea	Lb.	9,931	4,180	14,766	5,820	32,313	13,028
Wool, unmanufactured (free in bond)	G.Lb.	8,917	3,219	15,157	5,062	26,001	9,747
Other complementary agricultural products	---	3/	675	3/	1,309	3/	2,413
Total complementary imports	---	---	123,833	---	183,653	---	397,755
Total agricultural imports	---	---	347,698	---	463,047	---	1,063,927
Total nonagricultural imports	---	---	1,774,002	---	2,273,578	---	5,355,773
Total imports, all commodities	---	---	2,121,700	---	2,836,625	---	6,419,700

1/ Preliminary.
2/ Less than 500.
3/ Reported in value only.
4/ Excludes the weight of "other hides and skins," reported in value only.

Table 16.--Exports: Quantity indexes of foreign trade in agricultural products, fiscal years 1962-68, monthly and accumulated, July 1967 to date

Year and month	: Animal : and : animal : products	: Cotton : and : linters	: Tobacco, : unmanu- : factured	: Grains : and : feeds	: Vegetable : oils : and : oilseeds	: Fruits : and : vegetables	: All : agricultural : commodities : 1/
Base -- 1957 through 1959 = 100							
<u>Year ending June 30</u>							
1962	110	93	108	155	122	108	125
1963	112	71	98	155	148	114	124
1964	151	100	110	185	156	106	147
1965	139	88	99	180	189	111	145
1966	115	61	98	231	194	122	157
1967	108	90	130	203	181	122	152
1968	102	80	117	206	184	106	148
<u>July-September</u>							
1967/68	101	93	99	196	143	106	141
1968/69	119	99	136	191	156	107	149
Adjusted for seasonal variation							
<u>Monthly</u>							
<u>1967/68</u>							
July	101	67	109	191	141	112	139
August	106	113	109	186	137	103	144
September	95	100	78	211	152	104	141
October	103	78	73	197	200	106	139
November	109	60	132	273	224	112	171
December	93	61	138	201	154	116	139
January	88	93	163	215	160	117	154
February	120	91	200	239	248	108	173
March	85	84	85	219	261	102	152
April	117	90	143	198	199	111	155
May	103	79	167	182	159	101	138
June	103	69	140	160	216	89	132
<u>1968/69</u>							
July	98	105	152	198	135	110	149
August	138	98	160	198	139	96	157
September	120	95	96	177	193	116	140
October							
November							
December							
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							
Not adjusted for seasonal variation							
<u>1967/68</u>							
July	99	54	78	189	159	110	130
August	97	57	108	187	135	105	129
September	94	65	148	197	120	110	136
October	106	65	126	189	232	143	149
November	119	70	166	263	317	111	189
December	91	78	171	219	203	102	158
January	87	112	110	225	161	91	155
February	105	106	111	223	159	91	155
March	97	103	72	228	196	98	156
April	110	96	92	204	175	103	149
May	109	90	109	175	167	112	138
June	106	65	113	169	187	100	131
<u>1968/69</u>							
July	95	84	109	196	152	108	139
August	127	50	159	199	138	98	141
September	120	62	182	166	152	121	135
October							
November							
December							
January							
February							
March							
April							
May							
June							

1/ Based on 332 classifications.

Explanatory Note

U.S. foreign agricultural trade statistics in this report include official U.S. data based on compilations of the Bureau of the Census. Agricultural commodities consist of (1) nonmarine food products and (2) other products of agriculture which have not passed through complex processes of manufacture such as raw hides and skins, fats and oils, and wine. Such manufactured products as textiles, leather, boots and shoes, cigarettes, naval stores, forestry products, and distilled alcoholic beverages are not considered agricultural.

The trade statistics exclude shipments between the 50 States and Puerto Rico, between the 50 States and the island possessions, between Puerto Rico and the island possessions, among the island possessions, and intransit through the United States from one foreign country to another when documented as such through U.S. Customs.

EXPORTS The export statistics also exclude shipments to the U.S. armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use and supplies for vessels and planes engaged in foreign trade. Data on shipments valued at less than \$100 are not compiled by commodity and are excluded from agricultural statistics but are reflected in nonagricultural and overall export totals in this report. The agricultural exports statistics include shipments under P.L. 83-480 (Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act), and related laws; under P.L. 87-195 (Act for International Development); and involving Government payments to exporters. (USDA payments are excluded from the export value.) Separate statistics on Government program exports are compiled by USDA from data obtained from operating agencies.

The export value, the value at the port of exportation, is based on the selling price (or cost if not sold) and includes inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the port. The country of destination is the country of ultimate destination or where the commodities are to be consumed, further processed, or manufactured. When the shipper does not know the ultimate destination, the shipments are credited to the last country, as known to him at the time of shipment from the United States, to which the commodities are to be shipped in their present form. Except for Canada, export shipments valued \$100-\$499 are included on the basis of sampling estimates; shipments to Canada valued \$100-\$1,999 are sampled.

IMPORTS Imports for consumption are a combination of entries for immediate consumption and withdrawals from warehouses for consumption. The agricultural statistics exclude low-value shipments from countries not identified because of illegible reporting, but they are reflected in nonagricultural and overall import totals in this report.

The import value, defined generally as the market value in the foreign country, excludes import duties, ocean freight, and marine insurance. The country of origin is defined as the country where the commodities were grown or processed. Where the country of origin is not known, the imports are credited to the country of shipment.

Imports similar to agricultural commodities produced commercially in the United States and others that are interchangeable in use to any significant extent with such U.S. commodities are supplementary, or partly competitive. All other commodities are complementary, or noncompetitive.

Further explanatory material on foreign trade statistics and compilation procedures of the Bureau of the Census is contained in the publications of that agency.

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